

Fittingly Dressed?



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- v5 ¶ Put to death, **therefore,** whatever belongs to your earthly nature...
- 12 ¶ Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

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Colossians 3:12-25



[The best brackets possible]

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you have been
raised with
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hearts on things
above, where
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of God.*

*[the Christian's
new now]*

*v24 since you know
that you will receive an
inheritance from the
Lord as a reward. It is
the Lord Christ you
are serving.*

[The worst brackets possible]

6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming.

[the old nature continues]

25 Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favouritism.

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What are we now to wear? (v12-14)



		God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved			
		And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.			
As the Lord was to us: compassionate, kind, humble, gentle, patient					
		As the Lord forgave us: forgiving			

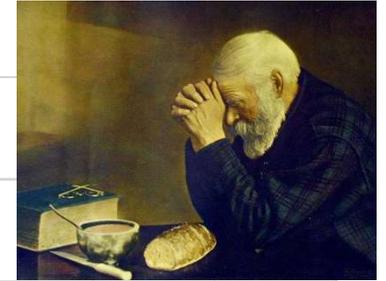
12 ¶ Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

13 Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

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How can I possibly dress like that?



Let the love of Christ bind you

Let the peace of Christ rule you

Let the gratitude to your Father permeate you

Let the word of Christ dwell richly in you

Be and do all in the name of our Lord Jesus

15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

How can I possibly dress like that when..?

18 ¶ **Wives**, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

19 **Husbands**, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

20 **Children**, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

21 **Fathers**, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.



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22 **Slaves**, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favour, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord.

23 **Whatever you do**, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men,

24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

25 Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favouritism.

1 ¶ **Masters**, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.



Yeah but...Yes Lord!

Members of One Body

Role	As one to another, because the Lord's	Role Specific, (general teaching about the role as a Christian)	Colossae correction in that role
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Sphere	One another	Role Specific	Colossae correction
Wives	love and submission	submission & reverence	as fitting in the Lord
Husbands	love and submission	love as Christ loved the Church	love without harshness
Children	honour	obedience with honour	in everything
Fathers	instructing in the Lord	training	do not embitter
Slaves	serving wholeheartedly	work as if for the Lord	full days work
Masters	serving wholeheartedly	provide as your Master does for you	what is right and fair

Colossian Behaviors

**Sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed,
Anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language
Lying
Discrimination
Grievances, unforgiving spirits
Ingratitude
Dysfunctional relationships on every dimension**

Being Made New in Christ

**Set our minds on Him
Throw off the old
Dress in the new
From the inside out
His character
His forgiveness
His love & unity
His peace
His Word**