

W E L C O M E



COLOSSIANS
3:12-17



Put aside

Anger

Wrath

Malice

Slander

Abusive Speech

Colossians 3:8

Put on

Compassion

Kindness

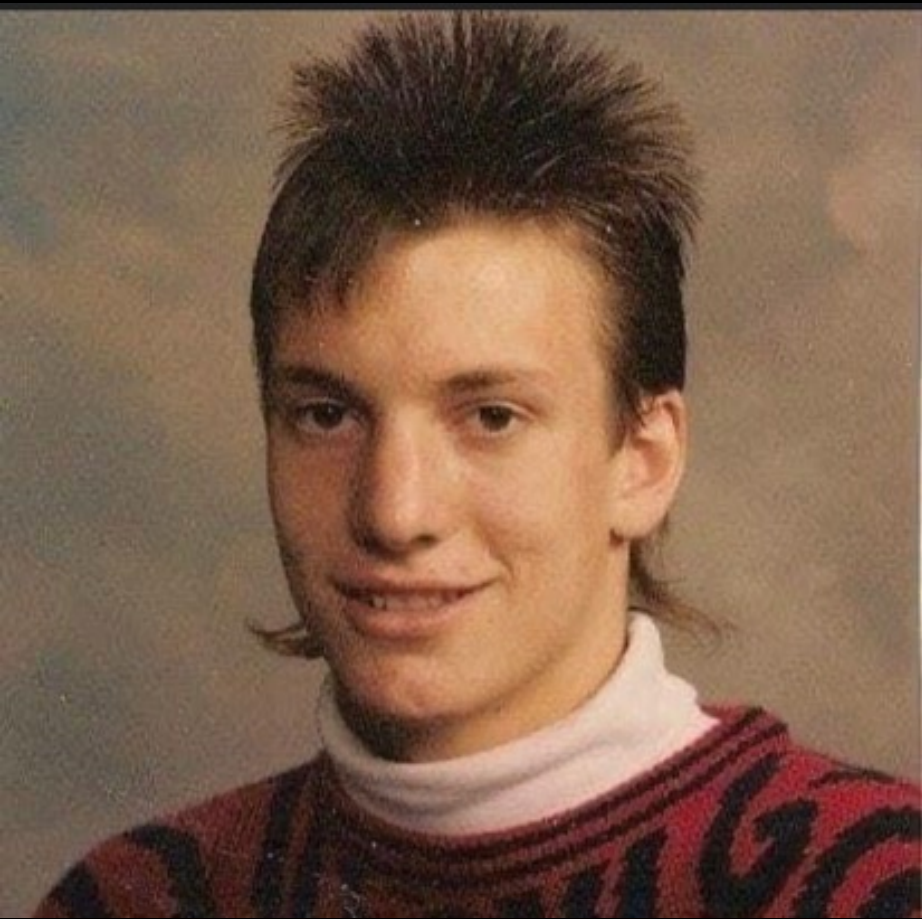
Humility

Gentleness

Patience

Colossians 3:12





So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you.

Colossians 3:12-13

We can't settle for just looking different from the world, we have to look like Christ having the character and the characteristics of Jesus.



Put on Compassion

Shows sensitivity to those suffering and in need (Constable).

When someone in your circle is suffering, what is your reaction? Is it action oriented, empathy, sacrificial, avoidance, indifference, or drowned out by busyness?



Put on Kindness

A gracious sensitivity toward others that is triggered by genuine care for their feelings and desires (Garland).

Is kindness a quality those close to you would attribute to you? What about those around you that are not close to you?



Put on Humility

Having a realistic view of oneself (Constable).

Who is the subject of your sentences?



Put on Gentleness

Means not behaving harshly, arrogantly, or self-assertively but with consideration for others (Constable).

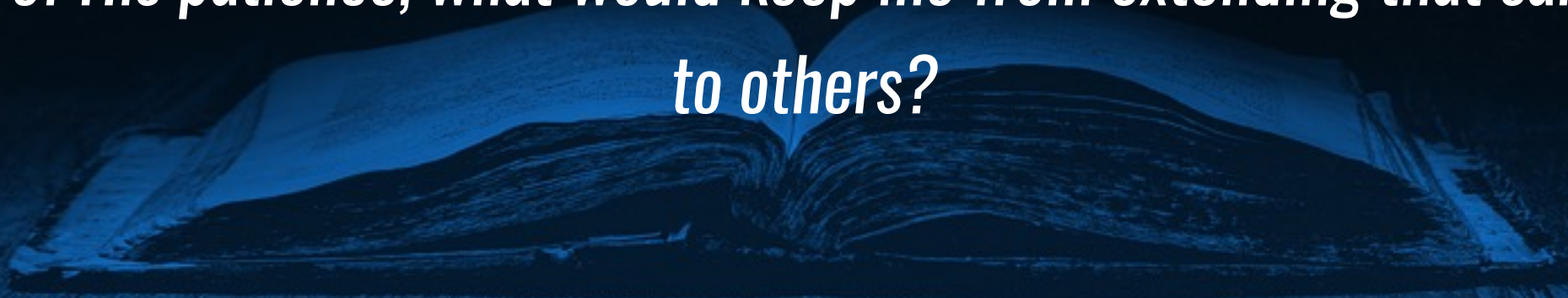
What area(s) do you give yourself permission to ignore gentleness?



Put on Patience

The quality of being longsuffering, self-restraining (Constable).

*What ways and areas has God been longsuffering and patient with me?
In light of His patience, what would keep me from extending that same grace
to others?*



When we internalize the above virtues, we can then live out bearing one another and forgiving each other.



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Bear one another

Putting up with others and enduring discomfort (Constable).



Forgive each other

*Involves not holding a grudge or grievance but letting go of it immediately
(Constable).*



**Beyond all these things put on love, which is the
perfect bond of unity.**



Colossians 3:14

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Colossians 3:15-16

**The peace of Christ rules where
the Word of Christ dwells.**

David Garland – The NIV Application Commentary



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Colossians 3:15-16

**Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of
the Lord Jesus, giving **thanks** through Him to
God the Father.**



Colossians 3:17

**Unity in Christ should be a
distinguishing mark
of the Church.**



Next Steps

I will commit to reading through Ruth this week in preparation for our four-week series.

I will look for opportunities to express thankfulness to the Lord throughout the week.



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