

Lessons From the Neighborhood
Colossians 3:10-14
Grace Lutheran Church
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Introduction

Colossians 3:11-12 “Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all. Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”

“Community is the place where the person you least want to live with, always lives.” (Nouwen)

Dress in the Wardrobe, that God has given to you...

1. BE _____ to one another!

Ephesians 4:32 “Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

2. BE _____ IN YOUR _____

“Constant kindness, can accomplish much” Albert Sweitzer

Ephesians 4:29 “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.”

I John 3:18 “Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.”

3. BE _____ IN YOUR _____

I Corinthians 13:4-5 “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.”

Proverbs 13:10 “Where there is strife, there is pride, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.”

4. BE _____ toward others.

Philippians 4:5 “Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.”

Ephesians 4:2 “Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.”

Matthew 5:5 “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.”

5. SHOW _____ toward one another

I Peter 3:9 “Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.”

6. SHOW _____ In Everything

Colossians 3:14 “And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”

I Peter 4:8 “Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”

John 13:35 “By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”