## Colossians - Chapter 3 "Dressed for Success" Colossians 3:12-13

## Verse 12-13

- 1. A change of identity should result in a change in attitude and
- 2. Paul says, *"Put on therefore..."* This means, "Based on your new position and identity, you should be putting on some different \_\_\_\_\_."
- 3. Paul admonishes them based on their new identity. He calls these believers who were once pagan idolaters:
  - *"The elect of God"* No longer are they the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of God (1:21) and alienated from God, but they are part of the body of Christ (the chosen of God).
  - "Holy" The word "holy" means that they have been set
     \_\_\_\_\_\_ for God. No longer are they enemies of God, but
     they belong to Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20
  - "Beloved" We are forever objects of the Father's \_\_\_\_\_.

    Romans 8:39
- 4. What a new position and identity we now have in Christ!
- 5. One of the biggest challenges that any believer faces is in regard to his or her attitudes towards other \_\_\_\_\_.
  - People will \_\_\_\_\_ you, people will disappoint you, and people will sin against you.
- 6. Paul gets real practical and shows us what our new identity in Christ looks like in our personal relationships when we yield to His life and power.
  - **"Bowels of mercies"** The opposite of this would be if you were quick to \_\_\_\_\_\_ others and condemn them. "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" **1 John 3:17**

- *"Kindness"* If you are saved from your sins, it is because of God's kindness toward you (Ephesians 2:7; Titus 3:4). This should cause you to \_\_\_\_\_\_ others with this same kindness. Ephesians 4:32
- *"Humbleness of mind"* Humility is an attitude of the mind and heart. It is thinking of others \_\_\_\_\_\_, and ourselves last. Philippians 2:3-5, 8