

Sons & Daughters

In the final week in the series on being 'Sons and Daughters' of God, we'll on how Christians should interact with one another as family members. We use the 'dress code' of Christian behavior - the characteristics we should 'put on' daily including compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forgiveness, and above all, love to bind believers together in perfect harmony and demonstrate to the world that they are disciples of Christ. Someone in the church needs each of us to show these characteristics to them.

CONNECT

What's the most memorable 'dress code' you've ever had to follow, either for work, school, or a special event?

LEARN

1. What does it mean to you personally to be part of God's family?
2. Which of the characteristics mentioned (compassion, kindness, humility, etc.) do you find easiest to 'put on' and which do you find most challenging?
3. How has someone in the church family shown you compassion or kindness when you needed it most?
4. What makes it difficult sometimes to be patient with fellow believers who are struggling?
5. How does forgiveness help bind the church family together?
6. In what ways have you experienced the church operating as a true family?
7. What practical steps can you take to intentionally 'put on' these characteristics each day?
8. How can showing love to one another help attract others to Christ?

APPLY

This week, each morning as you get dressed, intentionally pair each item of clothing with one of the characteristics from Colossians 3:12-14. As you put on each piece, pray specifically about how you can demonstrate that characteristic (compassion, kindness, humility, etc.) to others in your church family that day.

PRAY

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for making us part of your family. Help us to intentionally clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and above all, love. Give us the strength to forgive one another as you have forgiven us. May our love for one another demonstrate your love to the world. Unite us in perfect harmony as we serve you together.

In Jesus' name, Amen.