



Colossians: Week 7 – Gospel Living

We all have an old article of clothing taking up space in our closet that we can't bring ourselves to get rid of. We just add the new in with the old. But that doesn't work for our spiritual closet. We have to replace our old garments with a brand new outfit and outlook that compliments our brand new life in Christ.

Discussion Questions:

1. Do you have an old piece of clothing that you just can't get rid of? Why not?
2. Read **Colossians 3:1-14**
3. What do you think Paul means in **3:3** when he says we have died and our life is now hidden in Christ? Do you view your life through this lens? If we continue to live as though we haven't died, how might that affect our spiritual growth and how we view this world?
4. In **3:5-9**, Paul lists several things we need to put to death. These are things we've all had in our spiritual closet at one point. When you came to faith in Christ, which of these was the most difficult to put to death? Is there anything on this list you're struggling to get rid of? How can this group help you?
5. **3:12** lays out our new spiritual outfit. Do you find yourself lacking in any of these "clothes"? What are some practical ways you can cultivate these characteristics in your life?
6. Why is forgiveness (**3:13**) essential in the life of a believer? Why do you think people struggle with this concept? Is there anyone in your life you need to forgive?
7. How do you think the world would view the Church if Jesus followers actually lived out these verses? How do you think you would view the world if you lived out these verses? Pray together as a group and ask God to renovate your spiritual closet.