

LG Questions

Spring Wk 5



Big Idea: Having a good day starts with these virtues.

Read Colossians 3: 12-17

12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. 17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

- 1. Read verses 12-14. Paul uses the analogy of putting on clothes to explain the gospel transformation that happens to a Christian when they cooperate with God's Spirit and live as God's Holy people. Share one virtue you have seen the greatest improvement in your life because of Jesus.**
- 2. Paul tells us to "let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts." Describe what it looks like to practically allow the peace of Christ to rule in your heart? How do you recalibrate, when you feel you've lost the peace of Christ? Share examples.**
- 3. Peace and gratitude are paternal twins...they go together! At the end of verse 15, after Paul admonishes us to let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts he then commands us to be thankful. There are three attitudes that serve as the kiss of death to thankfulness.**
 - 1) I earned it**
 - 2) I am entitled to**
 - 3) Comparison**

Which of these three deadly attitudes most threatens your gratitude towards God? Explain.

4. ***Paul tells us that we are to admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in our hearts. We often gather at church to receive admonishment. How can we give admonishment one another? What attitudes should we use to admonish one another?***

5. ***Read verse 17. What does it look like when you “do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus?” What thinking, attitudes, and actions are required to do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus?***

Prayer Time: *Each person choose one of the 8 virtues from verse 12-14 (compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, loyalty, forgiveness, and love) and ask that God would give us the 4XL size “shirt” so that we are swallowed up in that virtue. Take turns each praying.*