



Adult and Teen Life Groups Conferencing Guide

SERMON DATE: 12/03/2017
DISCUSSION DATE: 12/10/2017
TEXT: COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

Colossians 2:6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,

I. WALKING IN CHRIST ENABLES US PUT ON THE NEW LIFE (COL 3:12-17).

A. We must Put On Christ-like graces (v. 12).

1. Tender Mercies
2. Kindness
3. Humility
4. Meekness
5. Longsuffering

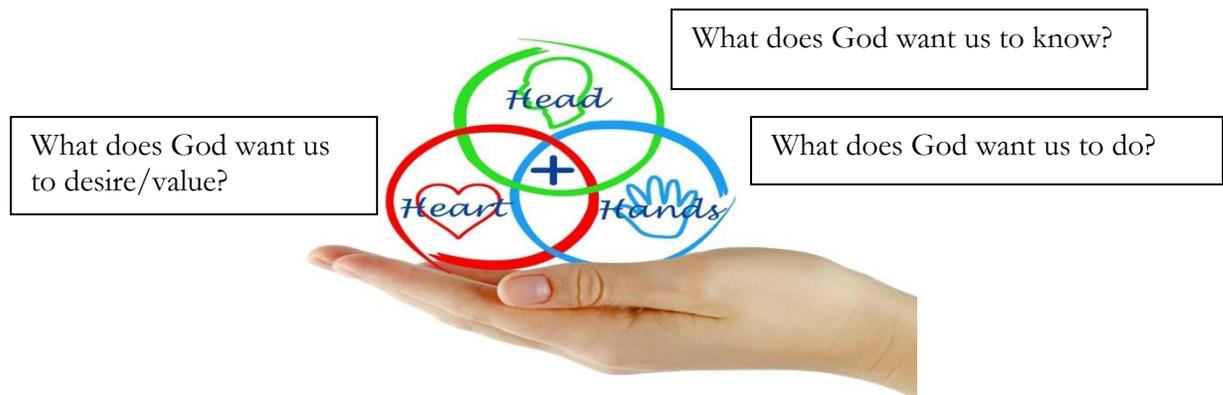
B. We must Put On Christ-like responses to one another (v. 13,15).

C. We must Put On Christ-like love (v. 14).

D. We must Put On Christ-like responsibilities (v. 16).

E. We must Put On Christ-like ambition (v. 17).

ASKING GOD FOR WISDOM TO APPLY HIS WORD TO OUR DAILY LIVES:



Why can those who walk in Christ LIVE (put on) a new life? How does Col. 3:9-10 help us answer this question?

What is the motivation given for putting on Christ-like graces?

Why do we struggle to be amazed by grace?

What does it look like when our hearts are compassionate (i.e. we are putting on tender mercies)?

How does our culture's entitlement mindset kill tender mercies?

What keeps us from being kind to others?

Why is kindness so important to building a church culture of discipleship?

Read Philippians 2:3-8. What does Christ-like humility look-like?

How do we put on meekness/gentleness? What is the opposite and why is it easy to go there?

What does it mean to bear with one another? Why is this command so important to life in the local church?

How does God want us to respond (v. 13) to others who are still struggling with sin?

What is the relationship between our responses (v. 13) and the graces of v. 12?

Why is it so hard for us to forgive others, while feeling like they just need to get over our sin and move on?

What is required in order for genuine restoration to take place?

What does it mean for the peace of God to rule our hearts?

Why is it so important for our relationships with one another to be ruled by peace?

What is the relationship of love to the Christ-like graces of v. 12?

Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-3. What happens if we try to put on these graces without a heart that has experienced God's love? What does love produce in the family of God?