The Garments of the Godly Colossians 3:12-14 Pastor Conley

Review:

Paul emphasizes that Christianity is not simply getting rid of "bad stuff" in our lives, but it is also "putting on" certain qualities. These qualities are compared to garments or clothing. As our physical clothing is largely for the purpose of those who might see us, so these spiritual garments/qualities function relationally as we interact with other people. Paul's instruction gives the basis, description, and functionality of the "Garments of the Godly."

Outline Review:

The Garments of the Godly

- I. Who can wear them?
- II. What are the garments?
- III. How are they are worn?

Application:

- 1. What 3 words describe the ones who wear these qualities in vs.12? How should this identity influence our interaction with others?
- 2. Our relationship with Christ is the foundational reason we can obey the command to wear the "Garments of the Godly." Why is that? How could a renewed focus on your relationship with Christ allow the gospel to influence the relational problems you are having right now?
- 3. Define the "garments" compassion, kindness, humility, and patience. What do they look like? How would you describe each of these in a game of charades?
- 4. These garments are worn through forgiveness and forbearance. Is there anyone whom you refuse to forgive? Has anyone ever asked you to forgive them? How did you respond?
- 5. How does love influence each of the garments and the way they are worn?