Series: Greater Than
Passage: Colossians: 3:12-17
Sunday: May 28, 2023

Colossians 3:12-17 (ESV)

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility,
meekness, and patience, 13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving
each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 And above all these put on love, which
binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which
indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and
admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in
your hearts to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

1. Have you ever discovered that you were wearing something inappropriate for the occasion? What did you try to do about it? How does changing clothes relate to Colossians 3:1-17?

2. Consider the behavior that Paul describes in verses 12-17. Some might say that kind of behavior is weak or wimpy. How would you respond describing the difficulty of doing the things mentioned here like forgiving, being patient, being humble?

3. How might you define each character trait listed in verse 12-13?

4. Why do you think that Paul elevates love above the rest in verse 14?

5. Verse 16 portrays believers as teaching one another, encouraging one another, and singing to God with grateful hearts. How does Shore Church practice each of these? How can we do better?

6. How do you practically live out Paul's instructions in verse 17?

7. Where in this passage do you see that the work of Jesus is GREATER THAN all else?