

Sunday 18th October 2026.

Colossians 3: New Character In Christ – Glenys Hart

Key Outcomes

- **Glenys** delivered a message on Colossians 3:12–15, emphasizing that followers of Jesus should "clothe" themselves in compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and love.
- The congregation was encouraged to demonstrate these virtues to a world often characterized by selfishness and cruelty, relying on the **Holy Spirit** for power.

Message Highlights

- **New Clothes:** Baptism symbolizes receiving new, white clothes of purity in Christ; believers are called to replace old habits with virtues that demonstrate their faith to others.
- **Compassion:** Defined as a "deep gut-level response" that always leads to action, not just pity. Jesus showed compassion to crowds (Matthew 9:35–36), a grieving widow (Luke 7:12–14), and Mary and Martha after Lazarus died.
- **Kindness:** Small acts of kindness can have wide effects, illustrated by a Danish school policy that reduced bullying and a personal story of a stranger paying for groceries. Jesus showed kindness to outcasts, such as Zacchaeus and the Samaritan woman.
- **Gentleness:** Not limited to women; Jesus modeled gentleness, particularly with children.
- **Humility:** Modeled by Jesus washing the disciples' feet and submitting to death on a cross.
- **Forgiveness:** Believers are called to forgive as the Lord forgave them, exemplified by Jesus praying for his executioners from the cross.
- **Love:** The binding virtue that produces unity and is the most important attribute for a Christian.



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