



## Colossians 3:12-14 NIV

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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.



## Colossians 3:15-17 NIV

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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.



## Colossians 1:21-23 NIV

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21 Once you were **alienated** from God and were **enemies** in your minds **because of your evil behavior**.  
22 But now he has **reconciled** you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—23 if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the **gospel**. **This is the gospel** that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.



## Colossians 3:5-11 NIV

5 Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your **earthly nature**: [1] **sexual immorality**, [2] **impurity**, [3] **lust**, [4] **evil desires** and [5] **greed**, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. 7 You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must also **rid yourselves** of all such things as these: [1] **anger**, [2] **rage**, [3] **malice**, [4] **slander**, and [5] **filthy language** from your lips. 9 Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices 10 and have **put on the new self**, which is being **renewed** in knowledge in the image of its Creator. 11 Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.



## Colossians 3:12 AT

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Clothe yourselves, therefore, as God's chosen people – holy and beloved – with heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and forbearance.



## Chosen, Holy, Beloved

5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my **treasured possession**. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you will be for me a **kingdom of priests and a holy nation**.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites. (Exodus 19:5-6, NIV)

9 But you are a **chosen people**, a **royal priesthood**, a **holy nation**, God's **special possession**, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but **now you are the people of God**; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. (1 Peter 2:9-10, NIV)



## Luke 6:35-36 NIV

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35 But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.



## Philippians 2:9-11 NIV

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9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
**to the glory of God the Father.**



## Philippians 2:3-4 NIV

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3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in **humility** value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.



## Matthew 11:28-29 NIV

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28 “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am **gentle** and **humble** in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.



## Proverbs 12:16 NIV

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Fools show their annoyance at once, but  
the prudent overlook an insult.



## Ephesians 4:2 NIV

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Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.



## Colossians 3:13 AT

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– putting up with each other and forgiving one another if anyone has a grievance against someone. Just as the Lord forgave you, so you should do also.



## Forgive As God Forgave You

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32, NIV)

14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.  
(Matthew 6:14-15, NIV)



## Colossians 3:14 AT

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Over all these things [clothe yourselves with] love, which is [the] bond of perfect unity.



## Ephesians 5:1-2 NIV

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1 Follow God's example, therefore, as  
dearly loved children 2 and walk in the  
way of love, just as Christ loved us and  
gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering  
and sacrifice to God.



## Ephesians 4:3 NIV

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Make every effort to keep the unity of the  
Spirit through the bond of peace.



## Colossians 3:15 AT

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And the peace of Christ must rule in your hearts, [peace] into which you also were called in one body. And you must be thankful.



## Colossians 1:19-20 NIV

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19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.



## Colossians 3:11 NIV

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Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.



## Colossians 3:16 AT

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The word of Christ must indwell you richly, teaching and admonishing each other with all wisdom; [and] with psalms, hymns, and songs of the Spirit, singing to God with thankfulness in your hearts.



## 1 Corinthians 3:16 NIV

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Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?



## Galatians 5:22-23 NIV

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22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.



# Giving Guidelines For Growth

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**He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.**

**(Colossians 1:28, NIV)**

**Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ**

**(Ephesians 4:15, NIV).**



## Loving Admonition

**Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. (1 Corinthians 13:6, NIV)**

**Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. (Romans 12:9, NIV)**

**Whoever spares the rod hates their children, but the one who loves their children is careful to discipline them. (Proverbs 13:24, NIV).**



## Ephesians 5:18-20 NIV

18 **Do not get drunk on wine**, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit,  
19 speaking to one another with psalms, hymns,  
**and songs from the Spirit**. Sing and make  
music from your heart to the Lord, 20 always  
**giving thanks to God the Father** for  
everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus  
Christ.



## Colossians 3:17 AT

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And whatever you do, in word or in work,  
[do it] all in the Name of the Lord Jesus –  
giving thanks to God the Father through  
Him.