

## Clothed With Christ

Bible Background • COLOSSIANS 3:1–17  
Printed Text • COLOSSIANS 3:5–17 | Devotional Reading • PSALM 107:1–9

### Words You Should Know

- A. **Anger (Colossians 3:8) orge (Gk.)**—Feeling of discontent, displeasure, or indignation.
- B. **Wrath (v. 8) thumos (Gk.)**—Sudden and passionate outburst of extreme displeasure.
- C. **Malice (v. 8) kakia (Gk.)**—General feeling of evil, a vicious disposition, prompting one to injure one’s neighbor.

### Teacher Preparation

**Unifying Principle—Breaking Bad Habits.** Paul teaches how followers of Christ should behave. Holy characteristics are expressed, and believers are encouraged to do everything in the name of the Lord.

- A. Read the Focal Verses. Do the exercise in the Application for Activation section and use a Bible dictionary to define the words listed.
- B. Read through the entire lesson and ask God to give you insight and creative skills to make this lesson clear and practical.
- C. Materials needed: Bibles, board or newsprint, and pencil and paper for each student (optional: a paper doll set).

### O—Open the Lesson

- A. If you have the paper doll set, use it to show how easily the doll can change from one outfit to another. Connect this to shedding our old life and starting a whole new life in Christ.
- B. Have the class read the Aim for Change in unison and then pray about it.
- C. Put the At-A-Glance outline on the board.
- D. Read In Focus and the Focal Verses.

### P—Present the Scriptures

- A. Allow the students time to silently read the Background information and The People, Places, and Times section.
- B. Have the class read through In Depth and fill in the blanks for Search the Scriptures.

### E—Explore the Meaning

- A. Discuss the answers to the Discuss the Meaning questions.
- B. Leave time for a brief discussion of Liberating Lesson. Ask whether students agree.

### N—Next Steps for Application

- A. Give the students pencils and paper to make the two lists in Application for Activation.
- B. It is important to help students understand that the old life has been discarded when they became Christians.
- C. Encourage the students to read the Daily Bible Readings.