

Big Idea Christians should tie the house church together with the love of Christ.

Colossians 3:12-17 <sup>12</sup> Since God chose you to be the holy people whom he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. <sup>13</sup> You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. <sup>14</sup> And the most important piece of clothing you must wear is love. Love is what binds us all together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are all called to live in peace. And always be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the words of Christ, in all their richness, live in your hearts and make you wise. Use his words to teach and counsel each other. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus, all the while giving thanks through him to God the Father.

## Three Key Questions

- 1. What is a key word in this passage?
- 2. What is a key verse in this passage?
- 3. What is a key tone of voice of this passage?

## Text-based Questions

- 1. With what can Christians be united? (v. 14)
- 2. What happens when the word of Christ dwells in us? (v. 16)

## Three Christ-centered Questions

- 1. Who is Christ in this passage? (v. 15)
- 2. Who is Christ to you?
- 3. Who are we in Christ?

Spirit-led Application