



National Youth Sunday 2018

Bound Together: Clothed in Christ (Colossians 3:12-15)

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This could be split into multiple people depending on what your youth group wants. Feel free to change the clothes used for your church's Children's Story.

Good morning! How are you doing today? I have a box of clothes and I'd love to go through it with you!

What would you wear if you were going to go for a run? (Wait for them to answer, then pull out shoes.)

You'd wear shoes! Shoes help support you while you are running, and if you don't wear them you could hurt your feet.

What would you wear if the sun was in your eyes? (Wait for them to answer, then pull out sunglasses.)

You'd wear sunglasses! Sunglasses block out the sun and help protect you. Now, what would you wear if it was a really hot day outside? (Wait for them to answer, then pull out a t-shirt/tank-top.)

You'd wear a t-shirt/tank-top! If you wore a sweatshirt, you'd be all hot and sticky, so you want to wear something that will cool you off and feel better.

Pretend that you are now in a really cold climate. What would you wear then? (Wait for them to answer, then pull out a coat.) You'd wear a coat! When it's cold outside, you need something that will keep you warm and make you feel safe.

Clothing yourself in Christ is like changing what you wear depending on the weather. If it's hot out, you'll wear a t-shirt because you are adapting or adjusting to the situation you are in.



Just like these pieces of clothing help you adapt based on the weather, Christ gives you the tools you need to adapt and feel secure, and to help others experience that as well. In the scripture, we are told to clothe ourselves with kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. When we clothe ourselves with these traits, we have the tools to help ourselves through challenges. By doing this, we are bound together as a body of Christ and serve as compassionate followers of Jesus.

Will you pray with me?

Lord, help us to continue to clothe ourselves in kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, so that we may be bound together as a community and followers of your word. In your name we pray, amen.