OUR WORSHIP SERIES TITLE: THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SCRIPTURE: COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

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INTRODUCTION

•The bible ranks healthy relationships after salvation as critical and as the most important thing in life. Let's examine the question to Jesus from a Jewish religious expert in Matthew 22:36 and look at Jesus reply in verses 37-40

A PRESCRIPTION FOR HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

•Col.3:12-17

 In our text, Paul gives the prescription for healthy relationships. If you'll consistently practice these qualities, you will have healthy relationships.

GOD HAS GRACIOUSLY CHOSEN US IN LOVE TO BE SET APART TO HIMSELF

- Colossians 3:12a "So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved..."
- Paul begins by stating that God has graciously chosen us. This means that if you're a Christian it's not because you first chose God, but because you were chosen by Him.

HOW WE ARE TO TREAT OTHERS

We should treat others How?
With compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forbearance and forgiveness.
These five nouns are set in contrast to the five sins in verse 5 of Colossians chapter 3.

CONCLUSION

• Because God graciously chose us in love to be set apart to Himself, we should treat others with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forbearance, and forgiveness. His gracious, loving treatment of us is the basis for our treatment of others