



REBUILT

Title: REBUILT: PUTTING OFF, PUTTING ON

Main Scripture: Colossians 3:1, 8-10

Rebuilt in Christ.

Our life needs a reno.

When we are raised and hidden with Christ we begin to practice putting off and putting on, allowing Christ to renovate us into His image.

Being rebuilt means we put away a few things:

- Anger (wrath, malice, slander, filthy language)
(Mat 12:34)
- Lies

Being rebuilt means being renewed:

- God is the master editor of our lives.
- Renewal happens because of the resurrection.

Rebuilt into Christ's image.

(Gen 1:27)

Being rebuilt means intentionally letting go.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

(based on Colossians 3:1-14)

Lord God, thank You that Christ is my portion and the One who lifts me up. I will set my heart on things the King of Heaven desires. I will focus my mind on godly things, not on earthly things, for my life and eternal hope are secure with Christ. He will come again and take me to be with Him in glory.

Help me put to death the things that displease You, which still reside in me. That is no longer the life I choose to live, for now my life is hidden with Christ. Now, I put on the new creation I am in Christ. Each day, I am being renewed in His image and rebuilt for His glory. Christ brings us all onto equal footing, for Christ is all and is in all.

As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, we clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. We choose to be forbearing with one another. We will forgive one another as the Lord has forgiven us. We choose to do all this in love, which binds these virtues together in perfect unity.

*Lord God, help us to live this way
by Your grace and mercy. Amen.*

The Small Group Sermon Study

Opening Prayer: *Father, in Jesus' name, through the Holy Spirit, come and speak to us, teach us and transform us as we read, discuss and reflect on Your word.*

Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the points from the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

1. What did you like or appreciate about this message? What was new or surprising to you?
2. What do we learn from this passage and message about God (Father, Jesus, Holy Spirit)? What do we learn about who He is, how He feels, what actions He takes, etc.?
3. What does this passage tell us about responding to God? What does living by faith look like in this passage?
4. What don't you understand or what other questions does this passage/sermon make you ponder?
5. What challenges are being brought to light in this sermon/passage? Are there any obstacles to which you can relate?
6. What attitudes, emotions, behaviors, or ideas are being exposed? How do they line up with what we know about God's character and His word?

Personal Reflection:

Silently re-read the key Scripture(s) from the message, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

- What do you need to surrender to Jesus? How will you respond to what God is showing you?
- What verse, phrase or word do you need to take with you this week? How will you act on what you've heard?

Prayer: *Spend time praying for one another (that we would grow in our love for God and others, that we would be transformed by what God has revealed, that we would be alert and obedient to God, etc.).*