

**Sermon Notes**  
**The Call of Every Christian (part 4 of 4)**  
**Forgiveness**  
**Colossians 3:12-17 (ESV)**

*<sup>12</sup>Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup>bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

**3 Truths about Christian Forgiveness**

- 1) Christian forgiveness is not an O \_\_\_\_\_ discipline to practice (verses 12-13)**
  - A) To forgive is H \_\_\_\_\_
  - B) To forgive brings H \_\_\_\_\_
  - C) To forgive is H \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2) Christian forgiveness is N \_\_\_\_\_ for unity and strength in the church (verses 13-14)**
  - A) Forgiveness is a testimony of M \_\_\_\_\_
  - B) Forgiveness is an undeniable W \_\_\_\_\_
  - C) Forgiveness ensures power and L \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3) Christian forgiveness is based on C \_\_\_\_\_ forgiveness (verse 13)**
  - A) Christ's forgiveness is always A \_\_\_\_\_
  - B) Christ's forgiveness comes with F \_\_\_\_\_
  - C) Christ's forgiveness looks to bring R \_\_\_\_\_
  - D) Christ's forgiveness is fueled by L \_\_\_\_\_