

# Message Notes

## The Clothing Swap!

**Introduction** - "It's summer today, but tomorrow..."

Today's Message:  
*The Rooted Life: The Clothing Swap of Being Rooted in Jesus*  
Colossians 3:12-14

**Context of today's passage**  
(Colossians 3:1-11)

*Old and New Creation*

*Do not lie to each other*

### The Rooted Life

*You are part of the whole plan -*  
Colossians 3:12a

Chosen

Holy

Dearly Loved

*The new clothes for the new season -*  
Colossians 3:12b

Guttural Mercy

Kindness

Humility

Gentleness (Meekness)

Patience

*Showing off your new clothes -*  
Colossians 3:13

Bearing with one another

Forgiving on another

*One last piece of clothing -* Colossians 3:14  
LOVE!!

**Gospel Application** - How's your attire?

# Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

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### 2 Corinthians 5:17

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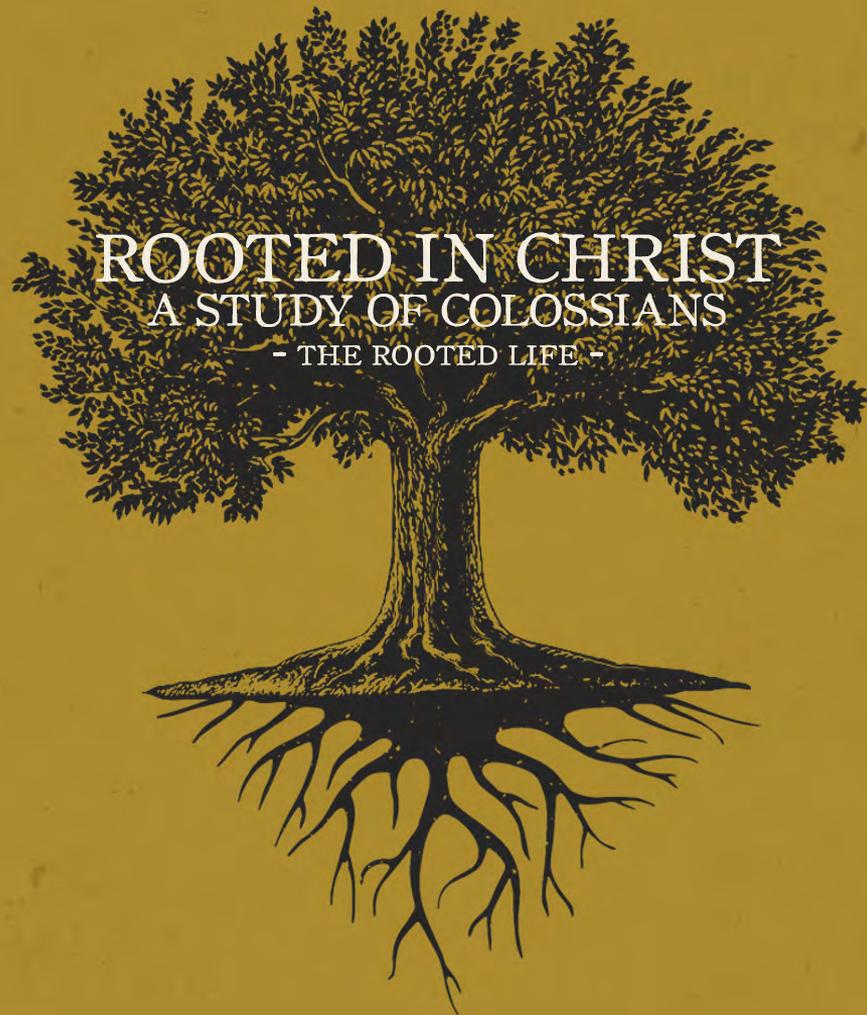


*Style Tips*

A photograph of two men sitting at a table, engaged in conversation. The man on the left has a beard and glasses, wearing a blue button-down shirt, a grey cardigan, and a dark tie. The man on the right has a beard and is smiling, wearing a maroon V-neck sweater over a checkered shirt. The background is a simple room with a red vertical panel. A semi-transparent dark grey banner is at the bottom of the image.

**HOW TO LAYER CLOTHES**





ROOTED IN CHRIST  
A STUDY OF COLOSSIANS  
- THE ROOTED LIFE -

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In Christ, you are.  
Seek him, you must.

If Yoda wrote the book of Colossians



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# The Story

Creation

Fall

Redemption

Restoration

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**New Creation**

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Spiritual Condition


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Behavior

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*You are part of the whole plan of Scripture*

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### Colossians 3:12-14 (King Jimmy)

<sup>12</sup>Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; <sup>13</sup>Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do ye*. <sup>14</sup>And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.



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## 2. Kindness

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A person is shown from the chest down, wearing a black short-sleeved t-shirt. The t-shirt has the text "SARCASM IS MY SPIRITUAL GIFT" printed in white, serif, all-caps font. The person is also wearing blue jeans. The background is plain white.

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## 3. Humility

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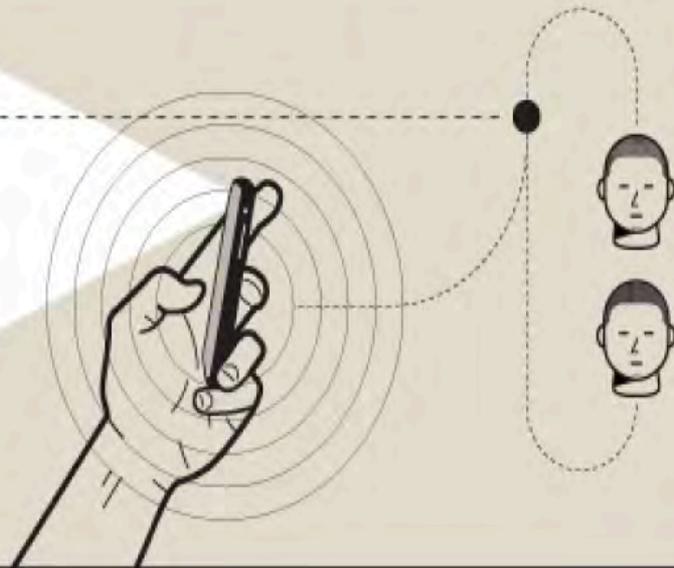
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# THE SELFIE SYNDROME

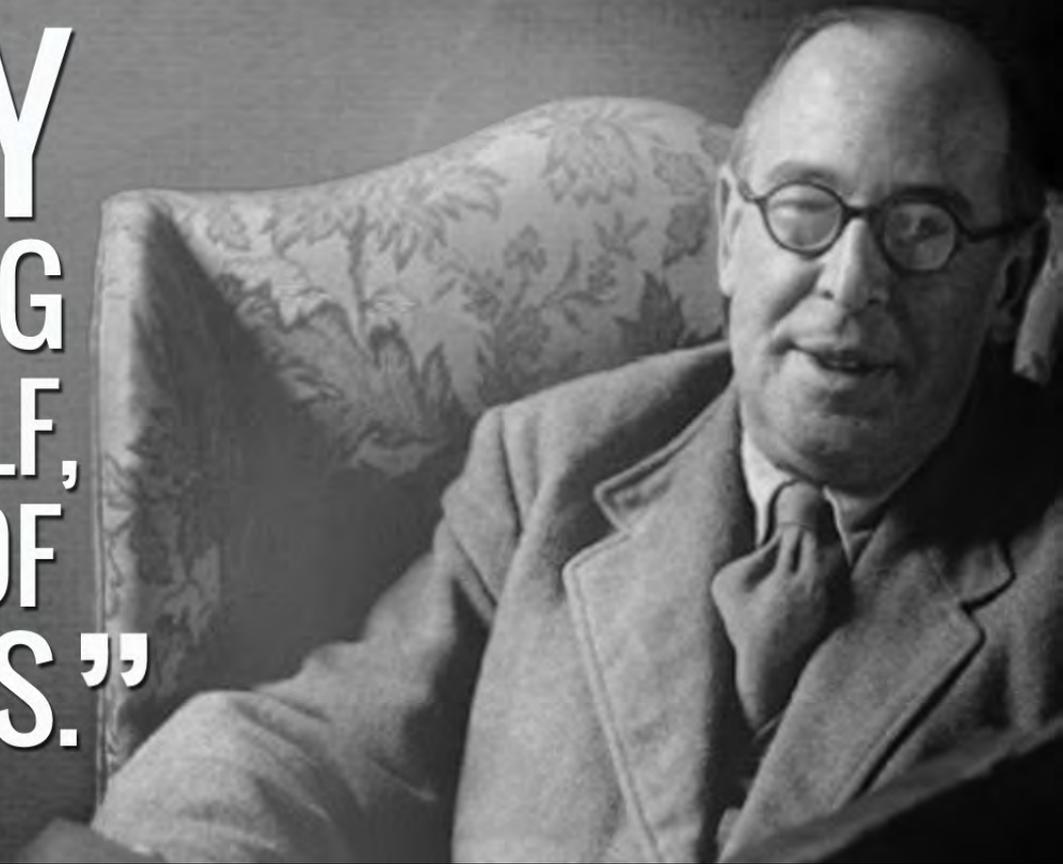
*How social media is making us narcissistic*



## WHAT IS NARCISSISM?

Narcissistic personality disorder involves a preoccupation with self and how one is perceived by others. Narcissists pursue gratification from vanity and the admiration of their own physical and intellectual attributes

**“HUMILITY  
IS NOT THINKING  
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## 4. Gentleness (Meekness)

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“Dependent Organization Of Really  
Meek And Timid Souls  
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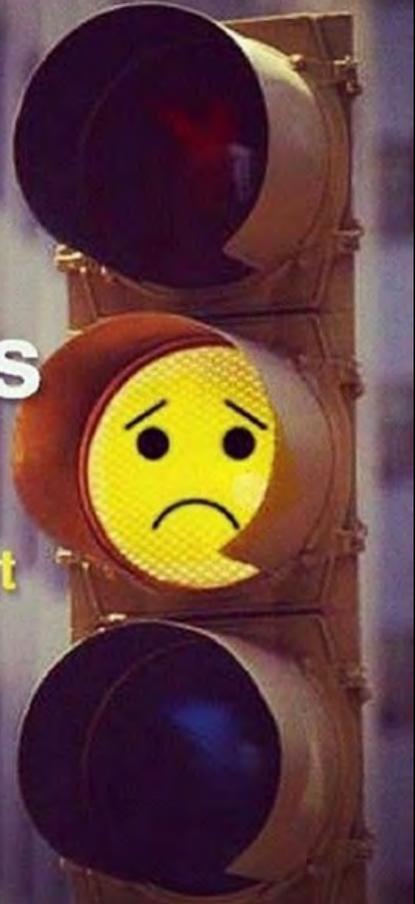
“The meek shall inherit the earth—  
if that’s okay with everybody.”

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*Symbol*

"Nobody  
ever listens  
to me."

-Yellow Traffic Light



*What is meekness?*

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“The knight is a man of blood and iron, a man familiar with the sight of smashed faces and the ragged stumps of lopped-off limbs; he is also a demure, almost a maidenlike, guest in hall, a gentle, modest, unobtrusive man. He is not a compromise or happy mean between ferocity and meekness; he is fierce to the nth and meek to the nth.”



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## 5. Patience

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LORD  
GIVE ME PATIENCE  
and  
I want it RIGHT NOW!

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### 1. Bearing with one another

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# Four Promises of Forgiveness

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“I will not dwell on this incident.”

“I will not bring up this incident again  
and use it against you.”

“I will not talk to others about this incident.”

“I will not let this incident stand between us or hinder  
our personal relationship.”

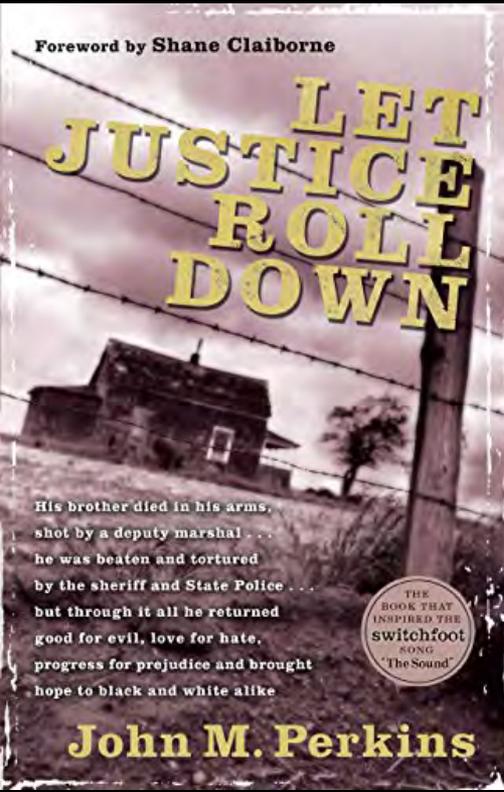
Foreword by Shane Claiborne

# LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN

His brother died in his arms,  
shot by a deputy marshal . . .  
he was beaten and tortured  
by the sheriff and State Police . . .  
but through it all he returned  
good for evil, love for hate,  
progress for prejudice and brought  
hope to black and white alike

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BOOK THAT  
INSPIRED THE  
switchfoot  
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'The Sound'

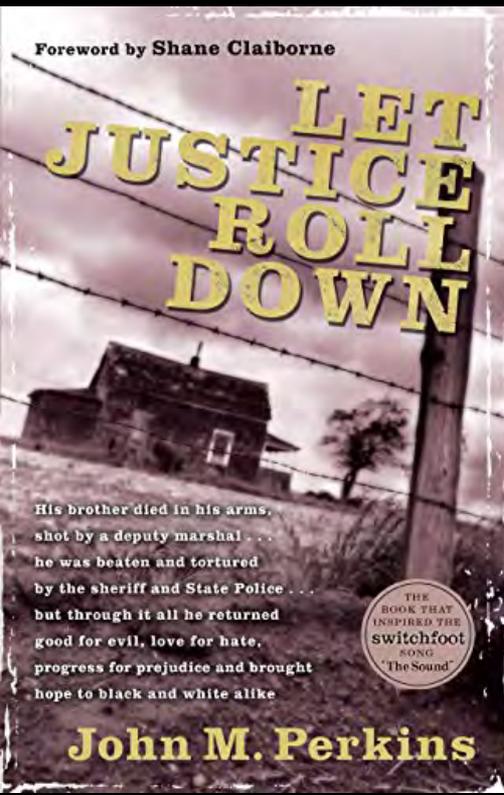
**John M. Perkins**



The Spirit of God worked on me as I lay in that bed. An image formed in my mind. The image of the cross — Christ on the cross. It blotted out everything else in my mind. This Jesus knew what I had suffered. He understood. And He cared. Because He had experienced it all Himself. This Jesus, this One who had brought good news directly from God in heaven, had lived what He preached. Yet He was arrested and falsely accused. Like me, He went through an unjust trial. He also faced a lynch mob and got beaten. But even more than that, He was nailed to rough wooden planks and killed. Killed like a common criminal. At the crucial moment, it seemed to Jesus that even God Himself had deserted Him.

The suffering was so great, He cried out in agony. He was dying. But when He looked at that mob who had lynched Him, He didn't hate them. He loved them. He forgave them. And He prayed God to forgive them. "Father, forgive these people, for they don't know what they are doing." His enemies hated. But Jesus forgave. I couldn't get away from that.... It's a profound, mysterious truth—Jesus' concept of love overpowering hate. I may not see its victory in my lifetime. But I know it's true. I know it's true, because it happened to me. On that bed, full of bruises and stitches—God made it true in me. He washed my hatred away and replaced it with a love for the white man in rural Mississippi. I felt strong again. Stronger than ever. What doesn't destroy me makes me stronger. I know it's true. Because it happened to me.

~ John Perkins, *Let Justice Roll*, pp. 205, 206.



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*One last piece of clothing*  
**LOVE!**

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