

God's Chosen Ones'

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He calls us Holy and Beloved and asks us to live
According to these simple guidelines:

God Loves you and has chosen you as his own special people.

Always be mindful to show one another heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Continually bear with one another and forgive one another. If one has a grievance against another, as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also forgive.

Above all, let love be present in everything, as it is the most important, and is the bond of perfection that ties everything completely together.

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts, for this is the peace to which we were called.

At all times and in all things be thankful.

Let the word of Christ live in you in abundance and satisfy you, as it is with all the wisdom that you teach and instruct to each other.

Counsel one another, and reprove mildly and kindly, but seriously; pointing out something forgotten or disregarded.

Sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

Wives, put your husbands before you, as is proper in the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them.

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord.

Whatever you do, be it in words or in deeds however large or small, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, thus giving thanks and glory to God the Father through Him.