Today's Scripture ~ Colossians 3:12

## Reflecting God's Heart

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When translating from one language to another, the subject and verbs are in different order, but lists stay in the order.
The goals of todays message:  * Remember this verse  * Appreciate the order of the list  * Be able to practice these
Purposeful Order: Compassion, Kindness, Humility, Gentleness, & Patience
God's Expressions
The First Impression
Compassion conveys to others if we .
Compassion is deep concern for one's struggle or suffering.
The Lasting Impression  Patience conveys to others if we
Without the other four, your Patience will never be recognized.
The Central Impression
Humility proves to others we're not
Fruitful ministry is always rooted in humility.
The Subtle yet Significant Impressions
Kindness is communicated through our
Gentleness is communicated by not being

Optional Reading: Our God and Savior is full of Compassion **Psalm** 51 <sup>1</sup> 86 <sup>15</sup> 102 <sup>13</sup> 103 <sup>4, 8, 13</sup> 112 <sup>4</sup> 116 <sup>5</sup> 135 <sup>14</sup> 145 <sup>8-9</sup> **Matthew** 9 <sup>36</sup> 14 <sup>14</sup> 15 <sup>32</sup> 20 <sup>34</sup> **Luke** 15 <sup>20</sup> **James** 5 <sup>11</sup>

## God's Expectation

## He has chosen us to represent His heart.

No one will listen to an invitation for life of	change
unless they think they can <i>Compassion</i> of	that person. & Patience
unless they think that person	them. <i>Humility</i>
unless they think that person	them. <i>Gentleness</i>

## God's Example

... for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; ... Lamentations 3:22-23 Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you. 1 Pet. 5:7 Great is our Lord ... His understanding has no limit. Psalm 147:5 ... Christ Jesus might display His immense patience as an example for those who would believe in Him ... 1 Tim. 1:16 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's John 15:13 friends. ... Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. ... 1 John 3:16 Or do you show contempt for the riches of His kindness, ... not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance? Romans 2:4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, ... *Titus 3:4* ... He (God) gently leads those that have young. Isaiah 40:11

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matt. 11:29