

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

Scripture

Colossians 3:1-17

Session Summary

In Colossians 3, the Apostle Paul teaches that every person born into the world (except Jesus) is born with a sinful nature, and we wear thoughts, desires, words, and behaviors consistent with that nature. From birth, we are dressed in our sin nature with its corresponding sinful deeds. But when we come to faith in Christ, we exchange that outfit for the righteousness of Christ (Gal. 3:27). We begin the hard and faithful work of putting to death the deeds of the flesh, yet this is only half of what we must do. We put away our evil deeds by putting on the characteristics of Jesus in their place.

Conversation Questions

- What was it look like for us to encounter Jesus for the first time?
- How does knowing Jesus change everything about how we live?
- Why should we be encouraged to know God can use someone like Saul?
- Who is someone we know that has been radically changed by Jesus?

Family Challenge

Visit your local thrift store and give each person a spending limit. Whoever finds the most ridiculous outfit possible with their budget will win and get to choose dinner one day this week. This is such a great reminder that our righteousness was a bought at the highest price—the death of Jesus. While your family may no strut around their crazy outfits on a daily basis, we are to wear the righteousness of Christ every day.