

Bible Study for August 31 – Sept 6

You are encouraged to take some time to reflect on the scripture and the questions provided either individually, or with members of your household.

Read: Romans 13:8-14

Notes:

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and, in doing so, fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we “put on the Lord Jesus Christ” and live today in light of the future God has in store for us. The Law shows us how to love others as we have been loved by God in Christ. Because all have sinned and fallen short, the gospel calls us to rely on God’s mercy in Christ, which then motivates us to love as we have been loved.

Questions to Ponder:

What kind of clothes do you feel most comfortable in? Which make you uncomfortable?

How uncomfortable does the Law (or 10 commandments) make you feel? Why?

How does the Law help us know what it means to love?

What does the “clothing” in verse 14 mean to you? Can you use this section to explain holiness?

How might your life be different if you consciously tried to “wear” Jesus Christ? What must change to insure a better fit?

Martin Luther saw the term; “put on the Lord Jesus”, as living out our baptism each day. What might you do to remind yourself each morning that you are one of the baptized, clothed in the Lord Jesus?