

**2015—Develop Others in Christ-like Living**

“The Lion, the Switch, and the Wardrobe”

Colossians 3:12-14

August 2, 2015

**Training for Trainers (T4T)**

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4. Babies need a family. Disciples become serving church members.
5. **Babies have a father. Disciples live by Christ’s authority.**
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Good theology leads to good practice.

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We continually set our minds, hearts, and actions on Him.

**God says He thinks of us in spectacular fashion.**

We are chosen, holy, and loved. We dress accordingly.

**God says our work clothes will be flexible.**

Walking with Jesus means interacting with flawed people.

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Others’ debts to us are nothing compared to ours to God.

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**Verse of the Month:**

Above all, put on love—the perfect bond of unity.

Colossians 3:14 (HCSB)

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