

CHRISTIAN CLOTHES

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Our morning paper is delivered by man in a red car. Driving past on his round he hurls our paper, wrapped tightly, on to our drive way. Sometimes his aim is not good. And the paper ends up in the lavender bushes, on the side fence or rolls back into the gutter. On wet mornings it is very damp.

Lately the paper has ended up on our front door step, left while it is still dark by some mysterious person. I wanted to say thank you, but I could never see the identity of the kind deliverer. Now it is getting lighter, and one morning I happened to catch a glimpse of a man and his dog disappearing down our

driveway. I knew who it was as each afternoon he came by walking his dog. At last I could thank him. He was not looking for thanks just being a kind neighbour.

Paul in his letter to the Colossians describes Christ-like acts as articles of clothing, to be put on each morning. "Put on compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness and patience" (Colossians 3 :12).

My thoughtful neighbour put on kindness every morning. He went out of his way to do a kindly deed. It takes a bit of thought but what kind of Christian clothes do you put on each morning?

Reflection:

Read Colossians 3: 12–17. Where in the Bible did Paul describe love as patient and kind?

