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Who Told You That You Were Ugly?

- The average adolescent watches over 5 hrs of TV each day
 - Each hour has approximately 4 commercial breaks with 4 commercials apiece
 - 1 of every 4 commercials includes an attractiveness message
 - 20+ attractiveness messages each day;
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Proverbs 31:30

**Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall
be praised.**

James 4:14

... For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.

Isaiah 40:30-31

Even the youths shall faint and be weary,

And the young men shall utterly fall, 31

But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

How Attractive Would You Like to Be?

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For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. **He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him.**

Isaiah 52:14

Just as many were astonished at you, So **His**
visage was marred more than any man,
And His form more than the sons of men;

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 - There is something about Jesus – Psalm 45
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Psalms 45:1-4

My heart is overflowing with a good theme;
I recite my composition concerning the King;
My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

2 You are fairer than the sons of men;
Grace is poured upon Your lips;
Therefore God has blessed You forever.

3 Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One,
With Your glory and Your majesty.

4 And in Your majesty ride prosperously
because of truth, humility, and righteousness;
And Your right hand shall teach You awesome
things.

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Galatians 3:27

For as many of you as were baptized into
Christ have **put on Christ**.

Colossians 3:1-14

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

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5 Therefore **put to death your members which are on the earth:** fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. 8 But now you yourselves are to **put off all these:** anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, since **you have put off the old man with his deeds,**

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10 and have **put on the new man** who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, ... 12 Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, **put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;** 13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. 14 But above all these things **put on love**, which is the bond of perfection.

Two Ways To Be Beautiful

in like manner also, that the women **adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing,** 10 but, which is proper for women professing godliness, **with good works.**

Do not let your adornment be merely outward--arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel-- 4 rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

What Makes You Beautiful?

- Braided Hair
 - Gold
 - Pearls
 - Costly clothing
 - **Merely outward things**
 - **Impossible demands**
 - **Deceitful**
 - **Fleeting**
 - Modest apparel
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2 Corinthians 3:18

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

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Psalms 149:4

For the LORD takes pleasure in His people;
He will beautify the humble with salvation.
