## A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN AMERICA...

- 1. By the number of terms used for it.
- 2. By the number of potential causes of it.
- 3. By the variety of ways people try to deal with it!

# AMERICA HAS A PEACE PROBLEM!!!

**COLOSSIANS** "So that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects...."

**COLOSSIANS 3:1 - 4:6 PRACTICAL PRINCIPLES** FOR WALKING IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE LORD TO PLEASE HIM IN ALL RESPECTS

#### Practical Principles...Col. 3:1-4:6

- 1. Heavenly Perspective, 3:1-4.
- 2. Holy Practice, 3:5-11.
- 3. Healthy Relationships, 3:12-17.

#### HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, COL. 3:12-17

- The Basis For Healthy Relationships, 12-13.
  - "Chosen of God,"
  - Holy, THE BASIS FOR HEALTHY
  - Beloved.
  - Forgiven

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- "Heart of Compassion" ✓ Bearing with
- "Kindness"
- "Humility"
- "Gentleness"
- "Patience"

 Bearing with one another

 Forgiving each other

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, COL. 3:12-17 The "Clothing" For Healthy Relationships, 12-17. "Upon all these things, Put On..." Love  $(\dot{\alpha}\gamma\dot{\alpha}\pi\eta)$ Which is the "joint-bond" of maturity Joining all of the attributes together... and joining believers together in unity.

### HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, COL. 3:12-17

- Final Components "For Healthy Relationships:
- Peace, v. 15 Three aspects of peace...
  - Judicial Peace with God
  - Practical, Experiential, Personal Peace
  - Interpersonal Peace with Others

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