

Sermon

Clothed in Redemption

Genesis 3:20-21

Series:

Designed for Dignity: God's Purposes for Us in Genesis 1-3

Clothing communicates something whether we want it to or not.

God most often brings the renewal we need when we come to the end of ourselves.

...the LORD God made...

God is renewing the world.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride *adorned* for her husband.

Revelation 21:1-2



Some of you don't really want God's renewal.

...garments of skin...

God alone can pay the cost of this renewal.

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his *garments* and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But *the tunic was seamless*, woven in one piece from top to bottom...

John 19:23



Some of you have not come to the end of yourselves.

...and clothed them.

God gives everything to us.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for <u>he has clothed me</u> with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the <u>robe of righteousness</u>, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Isaiah 61:10



Some of you can't believe God can really provide.

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