



Summary of Sermon

Pastor Steve spoke about how outward clothing can be helpful in some cases, such as the uniforms of the police/nurses/fire-crew etc, but in other cases outward appearance can hide a person's true self.

What attributes and characteristics you people see and recognise as the true you?

In 1 Corinthians 16.13-14 Pauls says to Christians:

- Be on guard
- Be firm in the faith
- Be courageous
- Be strong
- Do everything in love

Questions

1. Paul's outline is a whole military strategy: guard, defend, hold ground, attack. Yet we are also called to "do everything in love." Which battlegrounds is the Christian called to serve on?
2. Sometimes it's an accumulation of small things that eventually trip us up. How does living in authentic church community help guard against that?
3. How people perceive us might be important for our role, but acceptance and popularity can also become a snare. How does the scripture passage above help us with this?