

Acoustic Sincerity One (1)

6. Puppy Pettin' Clothes

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Liner Notes

Mom makes the rules; her little boy follows the rules, despite his love for a chocolate Labrador puppy. Listen for the Biblical principle involved.

Hint: Ephesians 6:4, Colossians 3:21

Story

Bluegrass is another one of my foundational influences. This is a bluegrass song about retribution; I thought you should know.

- We had a chocolate Labrador named Grace (Thanks to Uncle Rick and Aunt Deb!).
- Grace Elizabeth Robertson was Brittany's dog, officially and unofficially, but Grace was everybody's friend, playmate, protector, encourager, and our family cheerleader. Let's face it, Grace could cheer up a corpse.
- Grace was brown; go figure - she liked the UPS delivery guy just fine, but not the FedEx guy; don't tell me dogs are color blind.
- Grace was "puppity" for most of her life, and we miss her every day.

This song is about Grace, with a little bit of childhood retribution, thrown in, just for fun. After all, who didn't hear the phrase, maybe a million times, "Change out of your good clothes before you go outside to play!!" And there's some banjo, too, if you can stand it.

Lyrics

[Intro]

Before you pet that dog
Go and change your clothes
Put on your **Puppy Pettin' Clothes**

Gracie's our little chocolate lab
Best friend a kid ever had
When I come home from church, or get off the bus from school
My mom sings a tune that makes us sad

(Chorus)

Put on your **Puppy Pettin' Clothes**
Put on your **Puppy Pettin' Clothes**
Pet her silky brown ears and her little webbed toes
But put on your **Puppy Pettin' Clothes**

Gracie's' as sweet as she can be
She jumps up on the apple crate to sit with me
Sometimes we chase around, then we wrestle on the ground
I throw a ball she brings it back to me

[repeat Chorus]

One day when I was sick and home from school
I caught my mom a-breakin' her own rules
All dressed up to go to town, pettin' Grace there on the ground
I said "I'll tell the preacher all about you!"
[repeat Chorus)

[repeat Chorus)

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