

Becoming What You Are In Christ

Ephesians 4:17-24 – Pastor Nick Thompson

I. Don't live according to your old life in Adam (vv. 17-19).

- A. Beware of the old mind (v. 17b-18a).
- B. Beware of the old heart (v. 18b-19a).
- C. Beware of the old way (v. 19).

II. Live according to your new life in Christ (vv. 20-24).

- A. Be killing remaining sin (v. 22).
- B. Be renewing your mind (v. 23).
- C. Be imaging your Creator (v. 24).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

- 1. Why does Paul bother to tell us he is speaking “in the Lord” in v. 17?
- 2. Why is Paul pointing us to the sinful minds, hearts, and ways of unbelievers? Is it possible for Christians to walk this way? Why, or why not?
- 3. What does it mean for something to be calloused? How do our hearts become calloused by sin?
- 4. How does God renew our minds? What does this teach us about how we should treat our Bibles?
- 5. What does it mean to become what we already are in Christ? How exactly does this work?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

- 1. Are the things I watch or listen to negatively affecting the way I think? If so, what should I do about it?
- 2. Is there a sinful pattern in my life that I have become calloused to? If so, why is this so serious?
- 3. How devoted am I to the word of God? Do I recognize my need to daily have my mind renewed by it?