

SUNDAY MORNING

GIVING HOPE THAT YOU CAN CHANGE

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11th message in the series: **Shepherding Scattered Sheep**

Text: Ephesians 2 & 4

Theme: You should have hope in knowing the change has already begun.

Have you ever lost hope that you can change?

“You can’t teach an old dog new tricks.”

I want to give you hope. Not only can you change, but if you are a Christian the change has already begun

2 Cor 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature...

What’s new? I don’t FEEL different!!

When Paul writes to the Church of Ephesus he explains how the process of change has already begun. Let’s look at these two key passages: Ephesians 2:1-10 and 4:17-20

In Eph. 2:1-10 notice the past tense being used

3:16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be **strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man**;

In chapter 4 notice the responsibility to change

Just because you sin doesn’t mean that you haven’t changed!!

You haven’t given up trying to change...

Biblical change is not a decision, it is a process, a process called sanctification (growth)