

## “Transformed Minds, Transformed Lives”

### Ephesians 4:17-24

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“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Romans 12:2

### 1) Off with the old.

*“<sup>17</sup> Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. <sup>18</sup> They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. <sup>19</sup> They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity.”* Ephesians 4:17-19

*“<sup>21</sup> For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup> coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”* Mark 7:21-23

*“<sup>25</sup> Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. <sup>26</sup> You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.”* Matthew 23:25-26

*“For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.”* Romans 1:18

*“Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more.”* Ephesians 4:19 (NIV)

### 2) On with the new.

*“But that is not the way you learned Christ!—“* Ephesians 4:20

*“assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus,”* Ephesians 4:21

*“to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires,”* Ephesians 4:22

*“Be killing sin or it will be killing you.”* John Owen

*“You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”* Psalm 16:11

*“for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.”* Jeremiah 2:13

*“For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.”* Psalm 84:10

*“<sup>23</sup> and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup> and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.”*

Ephesians 4:23-24

*“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”*

Ephesians 2:10