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**New People for the Glory of God**

We Do Not Walk Like the World

Ephesians 4:17-24

**1 John 2:15-17**

15Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

**Galatians 5:16-17**

16But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

**2 Corinthians 4:4**

In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

**John 8:44**

You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

*Stop living like an unregenerate person* (vs. 17-19)

* A mindset without purpose (17)

“Because it lacks a true relationship with God, Gentile thinking suffers from the consequences of having lost touch with reality and is left fumbling with inane trivialities and worthless side issues.”

**Peter O’Brien**

* Darkened in understanding (18a)
* Hard hearted towards God (18b)
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* Callous in conscience towards impurity (19)

*Replace sinful lifestyle with new lifestyle consistent with profession of faith* (vs. 20-24)

“The readers of this letter did indeed learn the Christ, but not in such a way as to condone their old pagan habits. When they received the gospel, they were taught that Christian discipleship required the renunciation of all pagan vices and the cultivation of true Christian holiness.”

**Curtis Vaughn**

* Put off old self (v. 22)
* Put on new self (vs. 23-24)

**2 Timothy 2:22**

So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

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