

Did You Know That You Are New?

“The Old Self vs. The New Self”

Introduction

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Spiritual birth should lead to spiritual growth. If we are maturing in Christ, we will show it by being distinctly different from the world. In this portion of Ephesians the basic line of thinking is, “You have been set free from the old self, so why not live in a new way?” Paul then goes on to contrast the old and the new with key insights for believers on how to live the “New Life.”

◆ THE OLD SELF (4:17-19)

- Their minds are **darkened** because they believe lies and have not **received** the truth.
- They are spiritually **dead**.
- They have **surrendered** themselves to do all kinds of sin.

◆ THREE BASIC INSTRUCTIONS AND IT STARTS IN YOUR MIND (4:22-25)

- Renewed in the **Spirit** of Your **Mind** – It Starts in Your Mind
- Put Off – The “**Old** Self”
- Put On – The “**New** Self”
- Put Away – Those **Dirty Deeds**

◆ THE NEW SELF (5:1-2)

- **Imitators** of God – Be like God because you are His **children**.
- Walk in Love – **Other** focused and not **self-focused**.
- **Self-sacrifice** – For God and towards others

*These are activities of **worship** towards God and **thankfulness** towards Christ.