

The Road of Sanctification – Ephesians 4:20-24



1) A New Teacher (vs20-21)

Words: but, call, Christ, commands, Gentiles, know, relational, salvation, taught, truth, world

From the first word, Paul sets up the contrast: “_____.”

After examining the inner works of the Gentiles, Paul says that you did not learn _____ in this way.

“To learn” refers to learning truth, but it can also mean to come to _____ someone; it is _____.

Paul is referring to the one-time, completed event of _____.

This manner of life lived by the _____ does not lead to a knowledge of Christ.

Christians have heard Christ’s _____ of salvation and have been _____ by Him.

Christ is our teacher now, not the _____; He is _____ and the source of all truth.

Next 3 points flow from “been taught”: they are not _____, but what we were taught at salvation.

2) Put Off the Old Man (vs22)

Words: corrupted, crucified, flesh, influence, old, repenting, salvation, sinfulness, worse

The aorist infinitive shows a one-time act: this happened at _____.

At salvation, the _____ self was _____.

When Christ opens our eyes to see Him for who He is, we also see our _____ and come repenting.

This _____ is the old man being put off.

Paul says the old man is being _____; the world is not getting better, but _____.

Bathed—the old man put off—but feet still needed washing from the daily _____ of the world.

We still struggle with the _____, but we are not the same person as before Christ saved us.

3) Be Renewed (vs23)

Words: already, become, continuously, grace, Holy Spirit, mind, new, salvation, Scripture

“Be renewed” is a present passive infinitive: this is being done to you _____.

This is the hinge of the entire passage: the “_____ but not yet.”

We are already perfect and free from sin, but we need to _____ what we already are.

If we want change in our daily lives, it begins with the _____.

Just as _____ begins with the opening of the mind to see Christ.

Completely _____ spiritual and moral capability.

It is the _____ who does this work.

We play our part by using the ordinary means of _____—especially _____ and fellowship.

4) Put On the New Man (vs24)

Words: God, holiness, Lazarus, likeness, men, ready, righteousness, salvation, sin

The aorist infinitive again shows a one-time act: at _____ we were clothed with the new man.

A beautiful picture is _____: his grave clothes were removed and he was clothed with new ones.

The new man has been created in the _____ of God—literally, “according to what God is.”

It is therefore created in _____ and _____.

Righteousness concerns relationships with _____; holiness concerns our sacred duties to _____.

_____ still dwells in the body, not in the new man. Our position right now: new man is _____ for heaven.