

Did You Hear Jesus?

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 102

Ephesians 4:20-21

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¹⁷ Therefore I say this — indeed, I testify in the Lord: no longer *are* you to walk just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, ¹⁸ due to being darkened in their intellect, ¹ because of being alienated from the life of God, on account of the ignorance that is in them, on account of the callousness of their heart; ¹⁹ *these are the* sorts who, having become morally numb, ² delivered themselves to outrageousness, ³ resulting in the working of all uncleanness with greed. ⁴ ²⁰ But as for you, you did not learn Christ like that, ⁵ ²¹ assuming that *it is* Him you heard, and *it is* in Him you were taught, since truth ⁶ is in Jesus,...

[Ephesians 4:17-21 DJP]

Introduction:

I. The Great Con_____ (v. 20a)

A. The Flow: *But as for you...*

B. The Figure: *...not ...like that*

1. This is a *litotes* (LIE-tuh-teez)
2. This teaches us

II. The Great Con_____ (vv. 20b-21)

A. Generally (v. 20): *You ...learn[ed] Christ*

1. How it _____ us
2. What it teaches us:
 - a. The *supremacy* of _____

1 Corinthians ____:23

2 Corinthians ____:19

2 Corinthians ____:5

Galatians ____:16a

Philippians ____:15–18

¹ Or, possibly, *thinking or mental disposition*.

² Or *past pain*.

³ Or *indecenty*.

⁴ I.e. to the insatiable practice of every dirty thing they can think of.

⁵ Or *so, thus, in this way*.

⁶ Or *the truth*.

b. The *centrality* of _____
i. The word

ii. The reality

2 Corinthians __:20

2 Corinthians __:3

Luke __:16

iii. The corrective

c. The need for _____ to the teaching of Christ

John __:48

d. The _____ impact of learning Christ

B. Specifically (v. 21):

1. **First**, how we are _____: *assuming that it is Him you heard*

Ephesians __:17

John __:24-25

John __:3-4, 8, 16, 27

Acts __:14

2. **Second**, how we are instructed: *and it is in Him you were taught, since truth is in Jesus*

John __:21, 23

2 Timothy __:7