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Intro: In verses 5-9a, Paul wrote that we needed to put off - apotithemi - to put away, cast off, lay apart (aside, down), put away (off), used to describe taking off clothes. Of course, Paul isn't interested just removing the old because we don't exist in a vacuum, so he moves on to putting on or clothing ourselves with that which is consistent to our new nature

XIII. Putting on the New Man

A. Positional truth of the New Man - vs 9b-10a

1. The link to 3:5-9a - seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds

a. have put off

i. keep or loose the old self

- Addition or transformation

- The struggle with sin is between the two selves

ii. What does Crucified mean – Ro 6:6; Gal 2:20

- Salvation is transformation

- The old man is replaced

b. the old man with his deeds

i. The unregenerate self – the former existence in Adam - Eph 4:22

ii. to think that you have both a new and an old self would mean you are half unregenerate and half regenerate

iii. You are either “in Christ” or “in Adam” – Ro 5:12-21

2. And have put on the new man – Eph 4:22; 1 Jo 3:9

a. The regenerated self – 2 Co 5:17

b. Then why do we still sin?

i. Ro 7:14-25 teaches that the new self lives in an old body that has the law of sin in it called the flesh

ii. The Flesh includes all the sinful desires, drives and passions associated with our humanness

B. The Progress of the New Man - vs 10b

1. which is renewed in knowledge

a. the new man is new life, but that life must mature

b. **anakainoo** - to renovate:--renew, new in quality in contrast to what is already there

c. **epignosis** - refers to the deep thorough knowledge, recognition, full discernment, acknowledgement:--(ac-)knowledge(-ing, -ment).

d. From mature knowledge flows holy living - Ro 12:2; Eph 4:23-24

e. The source of that knowledge is the Bible - 2 Tim 3:16-17; 1 Pet 2:2

2. after the image of him that created him

a. The goal of transforming knowledge is to conform the person to the image of Christ - Ro 8:29; 1 Co 15:49

b. Under biblical circumstances, the new self will continue to be conformed until death or rapture

i. Be in the Word

ii. Learn from trials

iii. Do not grieve or quench the Spirit

C. The Partnership of the New Man - vs 11

1. Where there is neither Greek nor Jew - Eph 2:13-16; 1Co 12:13;

a. religious barriers - circumcision nor uncircumcision - Ro 10:12; Ga 3:28; 5:6

b. racial barriers - wouldn't enter the home or eat with them - Acts 10:11

2. Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free:

a. cultural barriers - warlike people that were feared by all

b. social barriers - the gap between freemen and slaves was great

3. but Christ is all, and in all - no place for man made barriers

D. The Performance of the New Man - vs 12-13

1. as the elect of God, - Eph 1:4; Php 2:1; 1Th 1:4; 1Pe 1:2; 2Pe 1:10

a. **eklektos** - select; by implication, favorite:--chosen, elect.

b. holy - **hagios** - sacred, holy (one, thing), saint, separated.

c. and beloved - objects of God's love

2. Put on therefore, - Ga 5:22; Eph 4:2,

a. bowels of mercies, lit. Heartfelt compassions

i. **splagchnon** - refers to the inner parts of the human body

ii. **oiktirmos** - pity:--mercy.

b. kindness - refers to the grace that pervades the whole person

c. humbleness of mind - **tapeinophrosune** - humiliation of mind, i.e. modesty:--humbleness of mind, humility (of mind, loneliness (of mind).

The cure for self love.

d. meekness - **praotes** - gentleness, humility:--meekness. The willingness to endure injury

e. longsuffering - **makrothumia** - longanimity, forbearance, fortitude, longsuffering, patience.

f. Forbearing one another - **anechomai** - to hold oneself up against, put up with:--bear with, endure, forbear, suffer.

g. and forgiving one another, - **charizomai** - to grant as a favor, i.e. gratuitously, in kindness, pardon or rescue:--deliver, (frankly) forgive, (freely) give, grant. - Mr 11:25; Eph 4:32

i. if any man have a quarrel against any: refers to when someone is at fault because of sin, error, or debt.

ii. even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. (Pattern)

E. The Perfection of the New Man - vs 14

1. And above all these things put on charity, Jo 13:34; Ro 13:8; 1Co 13:1-13; Eph 4:3; 5:2; Col 2:2; 1Th 4:9; 1Ti 1:5; 1Pe 4:8; 1Jo 3:23; 4:21

2. which is the bond of perfectness. - Love is the belt or sash that pulls all these things together. - Phil 2:1-5

F. The Priorities of the New Man - vs 16-17

1. The Peace of Christ

a. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts,

i. **Eirene** - peace; prosperity, one, quietness, rest, + set at one again.

- We have peace with God - Ro 5:1

- this is the call to peace as we walk in an abiding relationship

ii. **Brabeuo** - to arbitrate, to govern, prevail, rule. Php 4:7;

- Used only here

- like an umpire deciding the outcome of a sports activity

- two questions to ask in decision making

- is it consistent with my peace with God

- is it consistent with my peace with one around me

b. Peace is relational - to the which also ye are called in one body; Eph 4:4;

c. Peace is to be maintained - and be ye thankful. - Col 2:7; 3:17

2. The Word of Christ -

a. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly

i. **enoikeo** - to inhabit:--dwell in.

ii. **Plousios** - copiously:--abundantly, richly.

iii. Identical to being filled with the Spirit - Eph 5:18

b. Two specific results - Eph 5:19;

i. in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another

- **didasko** - to teach, the Positive side

- **noutheteo** - to put in mind, to caution or reprove gently:--admonish, warn. The negative side

- in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,

ii. singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

3. The Name of Christ

a. whatsoever ye do in word or deed, 1Co 10:31;

b. do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, Ro 6:9-11; 14:7-9; 2 Co 5:17; Ga 2:19

c. giving thanks to God and the Father by him. - Eph 5:20; Col 1:12; 2:7; 1Th 5:18; Heb 13:15