

“The New Mind and Life in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:17–24)

Big Idea: Christian, forsake your former darkness for your new creation life of truth in Jesus!

- I. Forsake the dark way of the nations. (verses 17–19)
 - a. You are no longer Gentiles with their futile mindset! (verse 17)

Leviticus 18:1–3, 24–25; 2 Kings 17:7–8, 14–15; Romans 1:18–25
 - b. The Gentiles have darkened minds due to their stubborn ignorance of God. (verse 18)

Ephesians 2:11–12; 1 Peter 1:14–19
 - c. The Gentiles have devoted themselves to callous self-indulgence and greedy impurity. (verse 19)

Proverbs 27:20; Proverbs 9:13–18; Jeremiah 2:12–13; 2 Timothy 3:1–5
Isaiah 55:1–3, 6–7
- II. Embrace the new creation in Jesus. (verses 20–24)

2 Peter 1:2–4

 - a. You now know the truth because you know Jesus Christ. (verses 20–21)
 - b. Your old person is a rotting corpse because of its lying desires. (verse 22)

Romans 6:5–11
 - c. You are now a new creation made to reflect God and his truth. (verses 23–24)

Ephesians 2:10; Colossians 3:9–11; Genesis 1:26; Ecclesiastes 7:29

Conclusion (Colossians 3:5–17)