L109 | Ephesians | "Walk Not to Work All Uncleanness"

I. Intro/Review:

- Devastating possibility of walking as a believer as the world does
- Vanity of the mind
 - Understanding darkened
 - Alienated from the life of God (righteousness; regeneration; dead)
 - Because of the blindness of their heart
 - John 9
 - Eyes ignorance or know

II. Preview:

- 1. Who Being Past Feeling
- 2. Have Given Themselves Over unto Lasciviousness
- 3. To Work All Uncleanness with Greediness

III. Sermon:

Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

{Ephesians 4:19}

- The forsaking of the life of God in Christ for the life of flesh
- The inner man in v17-18 effecting the inner man
 - Eph. 2:1-3

1. Who Being Past Feeling

- 1. <u>Define</u> to cease to feel pain or grief; to become callous, apathetic
 - Apathetic Freedom from suffering; passionless existence
 - "a" without | "pathos" emotion, feeling, suffering
 - Indolence of mind, indifference to what should excite
 - Christ "touched by our infirmities"

2. Have Given Themselves Over unto Lasciviousness

- 1. "given themselves"
 - Define to give into the hands of another's power or use
 - Usage Matt. 4:12 "cast into prison", 5:25 "judge deliver", 10:4 "Judas...betrayed"
 - Christ Gal. 2:20 "gave Himself for me"; Eph. 5:2 "and hath given", 5:25 -

2. "over unto lasciviousness"

- Unbridled lust, excess, licentiousness, lasciviousness, wantonness, outrageousness, shamelessness, insolence
- Mar. 7:22 -
- Rom. 13:13 "not in chambering and wantonness"
- 2 Cor. 12:21 "uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed."
- Gal. 5:19 "works of the flesh...lasciviousness"
- 1 Pet. 4:3 "...when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts...."
- 2 Pet. 2:7 "...with the filthy conversation of the wicked"
- 2 Pet. 2:18 "speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness,"
- Jude 1:4 "...turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ."
- Continent self-restraining, temperate
- Incontinent need of self-restraint, not holding back; unable to control bowels or bladder (physical) unable to control fleshly lusts
 - 2 Tim. 3:3 "without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,"

3. "to work all uncleanness with greediness"

- "to work" inner man to do (Rom. 1)
 - Contrast to Eph. 2:10 created unto good works
 - Righteousness and true holiness

• "all uncleanness"

- That which it is before a holy God
- Dirty, filthy to work it out
- Sanctification 1 Cor. 1:30, 6:? washed, sanctified; Eph. 5 washed
- Matt. 23:27 "scribes and Pharisees...within...of all uncleanness."
- Rom. 1:24 "Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:"
- Rom. 6:19 "...members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness."
- 2 Cor. 12:21
- Gal. 5:19
- Eph. 5:3, Col. 3:5
- 1 The. 4:7 "For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness."

• "with greediness"

- Greedy desire to have more, covetousness
- Rom. 6 "iniquity unto iniquity

- Rom. 7:7-8; Col. 3:5 covetousness which is idolatry
- 2 Tim. 3:1-5
- Contrast love abound more and more
 - Php. 1
 - I The. 3
- Purpose Eph. 1:3

IV. Conclusion: