



EPHESIANS

LIVING THE NEW CREATION STORY

Baptism



Steps: 1. Scan 2. Hit "Send"

Be Yourself

Part One | Old Self

Part Two | New Self

Part Three | WHY

Part One | Old Self

Therefore, I say this and testify in the Lord: You should no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thoughts. They are darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them and because of the hardness of their hearts.

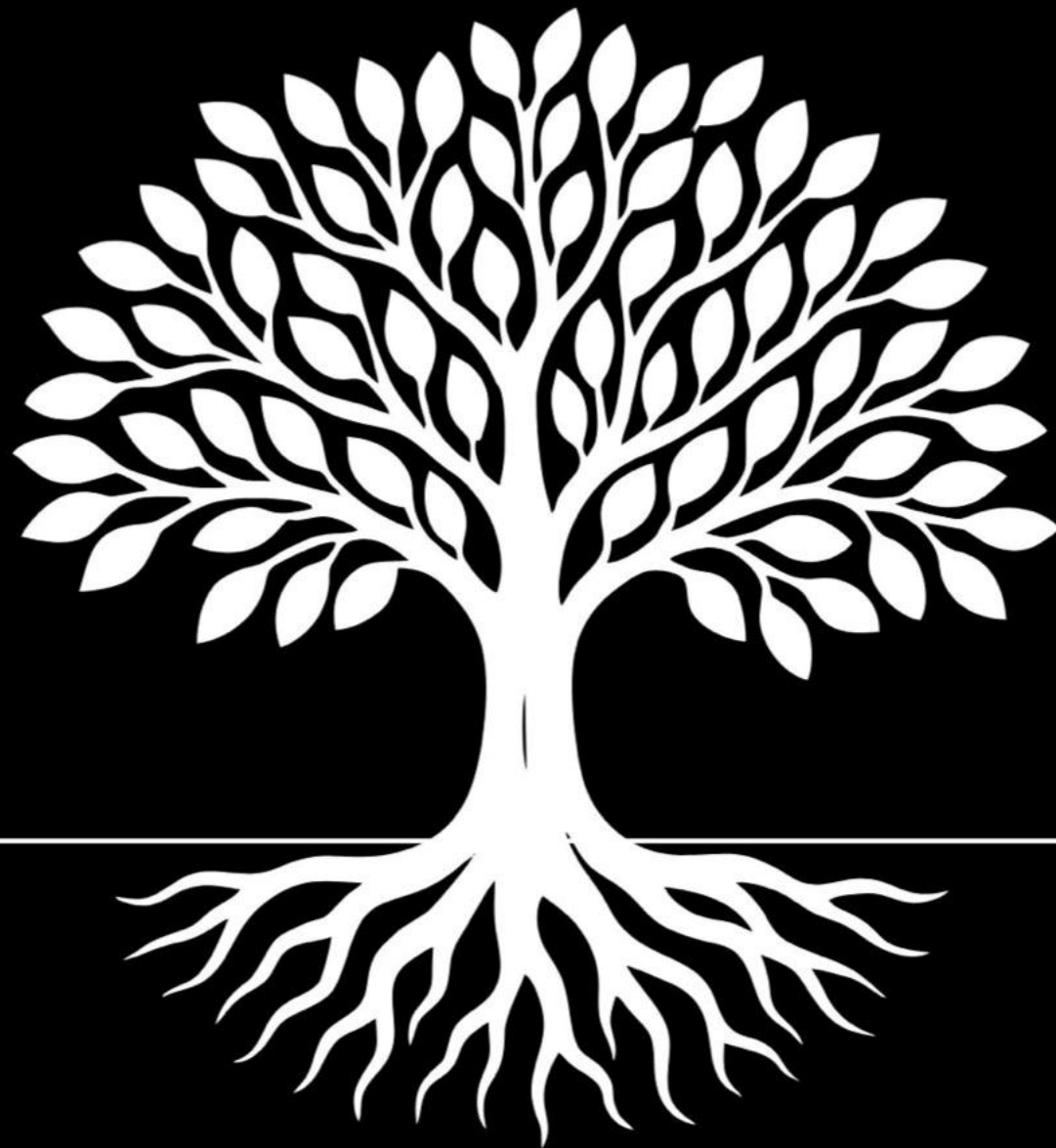
Eph. 4:17-18, CSB

They became callous and gave themselves over to promiscuity for the practice of every kind of impurity with a desire for more and more.

Eph. 4:19, CSB

Visible

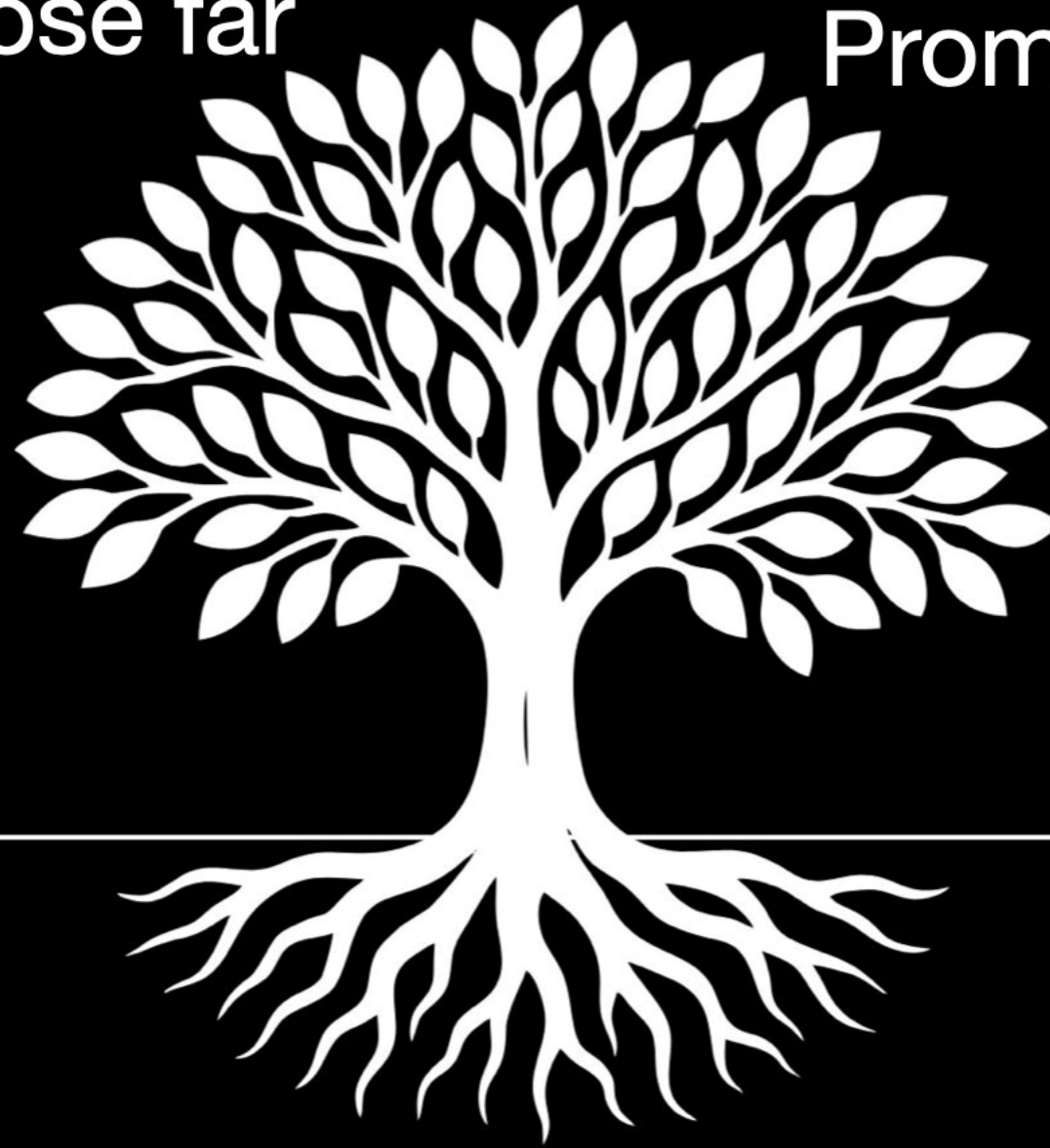
Invisible



Walk as those far
From God

Promiscuity

Practice of
Sinful Behavior



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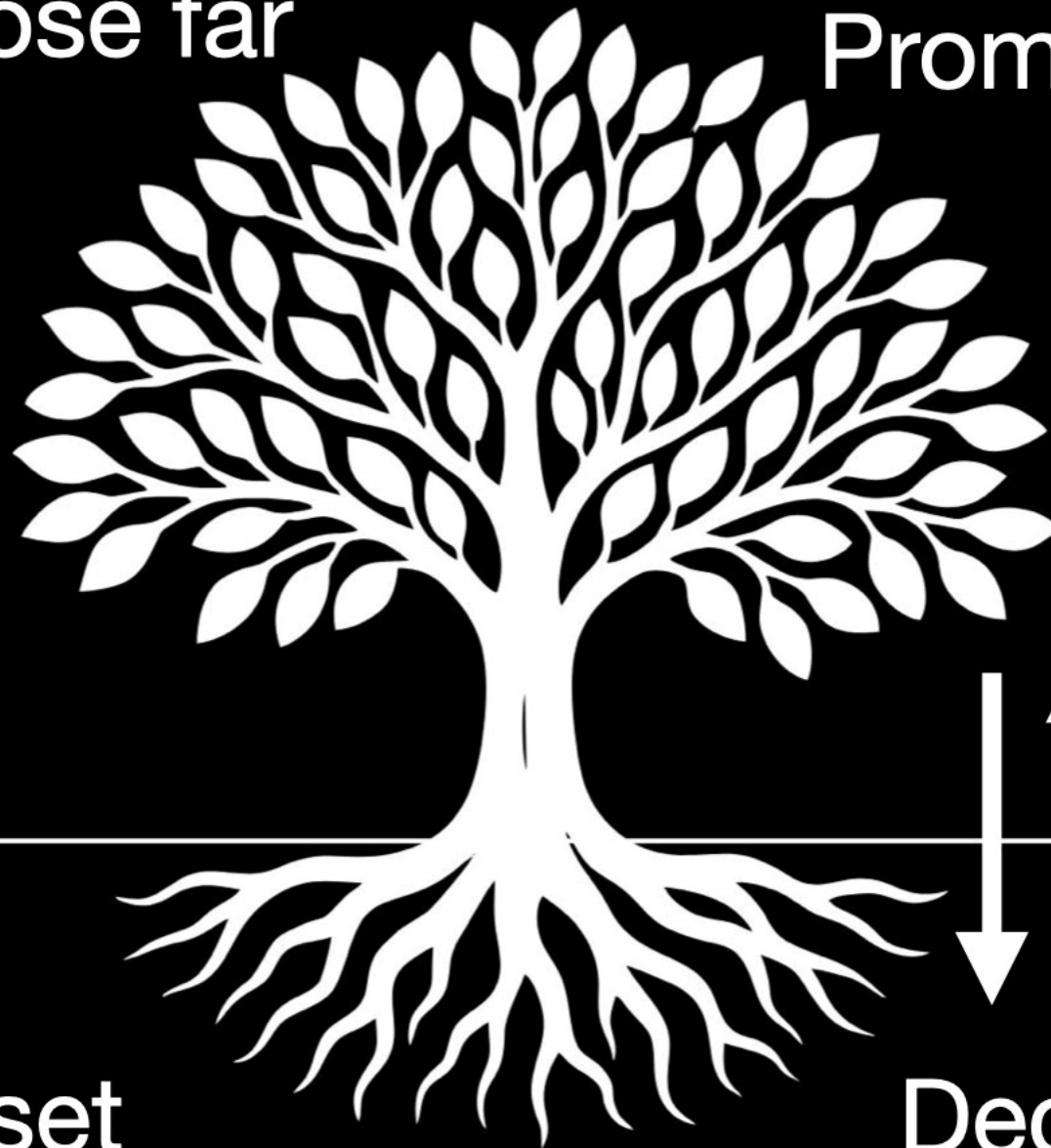
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Degrading of
the soul from
the inside out

Mindset

Deceiving Desires

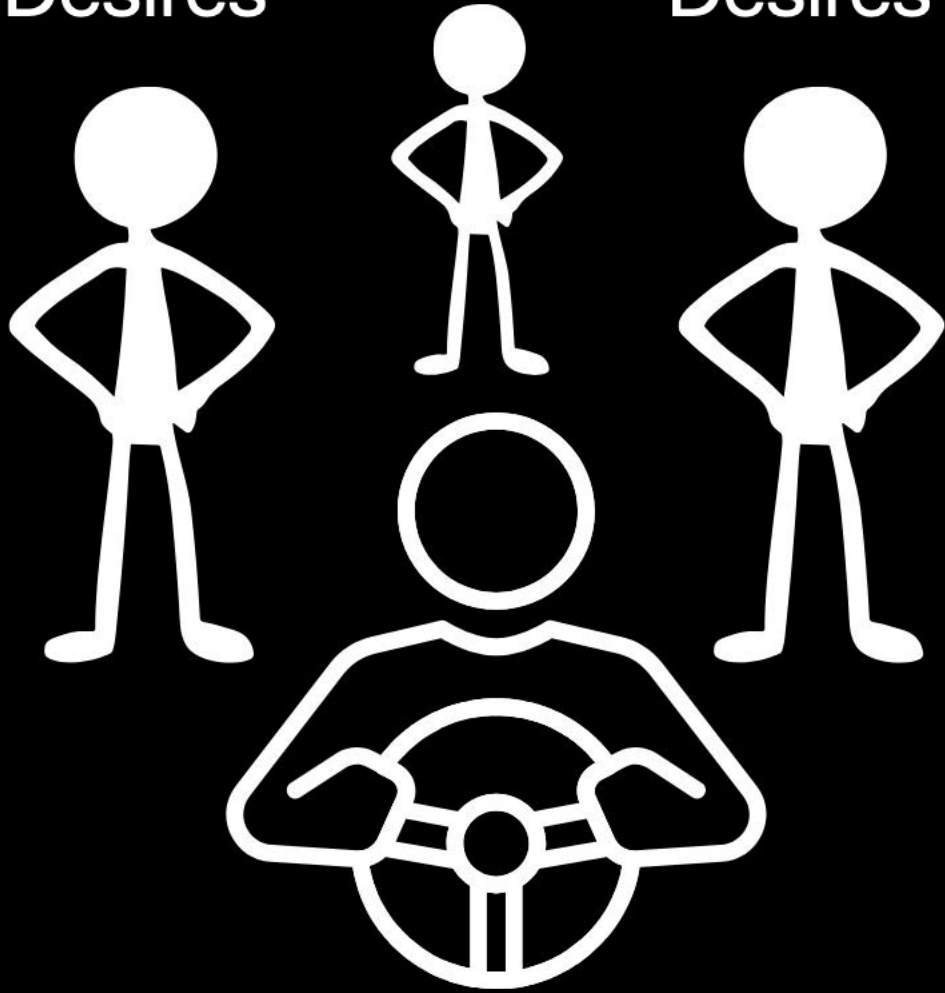
Perception Hard/Callous Hearts



Desires

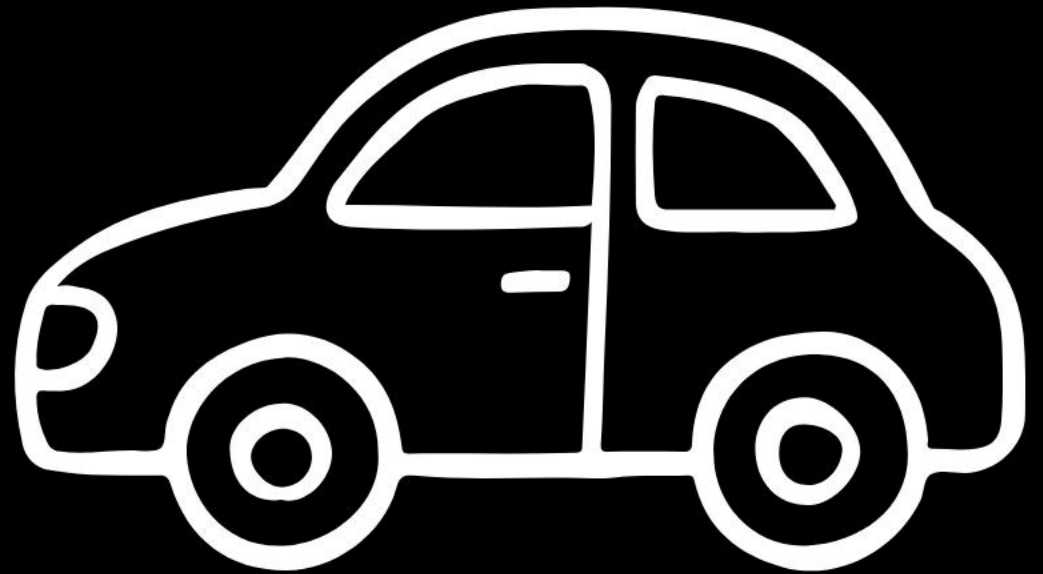
Desires

Desires



Core Decision
Maker (Will)

Soul



Part One | Old Self

Part Two | New Self

But that is not how you came to know Christ, assuming you heard about him and were taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus, assuming you heard about him and were taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus, to take off your former way of life, the old self that is corrupted by deceitful desires,

Eph. 4:20-22, CSB

to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, the one created according to God's likeness in righteousness and purity of the truth.

Christian Standard Bible

Eph. 4:23-24, CSB

Act your gratitude; pantomime your thanks; you will become that which you do. Many think that the only way to change your behavior is to first change your feelings. [...] But there is an older wisdom that puts it differently: by changing our behavior we can change our feelings.

- Eugene Peterson

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Part Three | WHY

The image-bearers are to reflect the true God into the world, as they reflect the praises of creation back to the creator.

- N. T. Wright

...sin has obscured the image and our ability to function as the image. [...] However, that does not necessarily mean the image has been damaged. Just because something is not functioning properly does not necessitate that it ceases to be what it was created to be.

- Dr. Brett Desper

Homeless in the City Where He Was Once Mayor

Craig Coyner's descent onto the streets of Bend, Ore., came after decades spent fighting as a lawyer and politician for those on the edge of society.

