

THE CHANGED LIFE: *Walk Worthy of Your Calling*

Ephesians 4.17-24

Central Idea: *Our lifestyle (walk) as believers, should display the truth that we are new persons due to our relationship with Jesus Christ.*

🔗 The Big Picture: Paul and the Church at Ephesus

🔗 The Old Person: *Who We Once Were* (17-19)

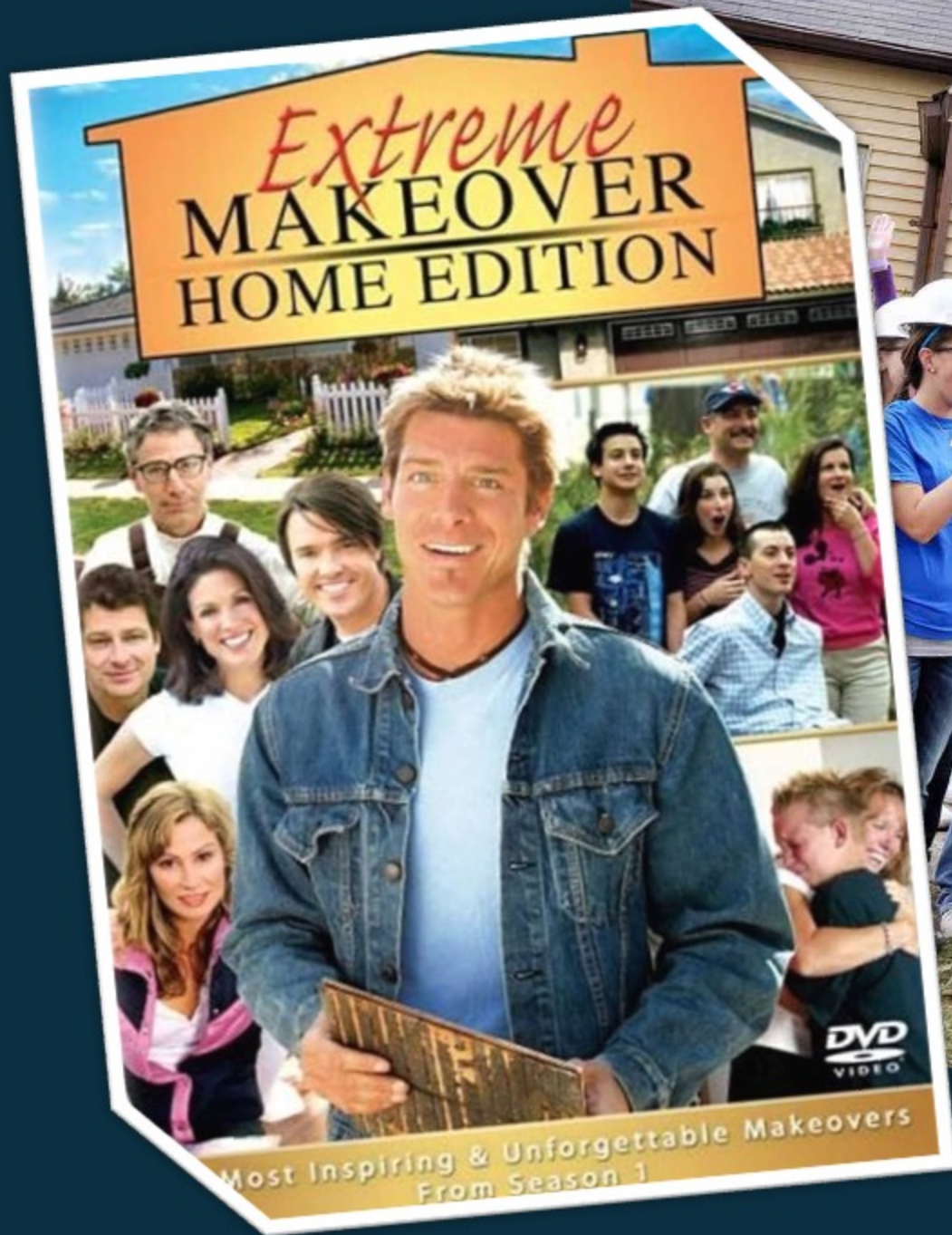
Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. Read Eph 4.17-19 in the New Living Translation and/or a paraphrase like the Message or Living Bible. Put into your own words what Paul says about our pre-Christ selves.
2. What are some modern examples of the “futility of thinking” Paul describes?
3. Why is it significant that Paul says believers have “learned Christ,” not just learned *about* Christ? What’s the difference?
4. What is involved in being “renewed in the spirit of your mind?” What is our responsibility in this process?
5. How does remembering our identity in Christ help us live as we should?
6. What practical steps can we take to help us live according to who we are?

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This outline is provided to assist you in understanding and applying today’s message. *The Changed Life: Walk Worthy of Your Calling* is the first message in a series on The Changed Life from Ephesians 4.17-32. This message can be listened to or downloaded at cbcomaha.org.

🔗 The New Person: *Who We Now Are* (20-24)



Extreme MAKEOVER *Marathon*



BEFORE



AFTER



Before



After



A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's legs and feet as they hike on a rocky trail. The person is wearing dark, rugged hiking boots with thick, treaded soles. They are also wearing grey, ribbed socks. The background is a blurred landscape of rocks and sparse vegetation, suggesting a mountainous or wilderness area. The lighting is bright, casting shadows on the ground.

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The Apostle Paul & the Church at Ephesus

Paul's 1st Missionary Journey, 47-49

Paul's 2nd Missionary Journey, 50-53

- *First visit to Ephesus*
- *Church at Ephesus is started, 53*

Paul's 3rd Missionary Journey, 53-57

- *Extended stay in Ephesus, 54-56*

Paul arrested in Jerusalem, 58

Paul imprisoned in Rome – Ephesians written, 60-62

Paul's Pastoral Letters	Paul's Prison Letters
1 Timothy	Ephesians
2 Timothy	Philippians
Titus	Colossians
	Philemon

Ephesians Overview

1.1 – 3.21	4.1 – 6.9	6.10-24
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Doctrine	Duty	Defense
Position	Practice	Power
Wealth	WALK	Warfare

Unity

4.1-16

Holiness

4.17-32

Love

5.1-6

Light

5.7-14

Wisdom

5.15-6.9


Speaking the Truth

Righteous Anger

Working and Giving

Wholesome Words

Gracious and Forgiving

A close-up photograph of a person's hands tying the laces of a light-colored, mesh athletic shoe. The person is crouching on a paved path. In the background, another person's legs and white sneakers are visible, slightly out of focus. The scene is outdoors with green foliage and sunlight filtering through the trees.

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COMMANDS – to Do

Put off your old self

Be renewed in the spirit of
your minds

Put on the new self

FACTS – to Know

You have laid aside the old
person

You are being renewed by the
spirit in your mind

You have put on the new
person

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***Paul's words would not be necessary
if it was impossible for believers to
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