Put On The New Man

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INTRODUCTION

- This trip was personally different for this man because he went back home, a different man.
- Started this journey an old man. And ended the journey a new man.
- When we become a Christian, when we submit in obedience to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and put on Christ in baptism, something real, something transformational takes place.

1 Our Heart Must Be Different

Ephesians 4:17–24; Hebrews 4:12; Proverbs 4:23

- In order to put on the new man, our heart must be different.
- One benchmark that you can look at in your life is to see, am I truly different?
- Keep the heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.
- The heart must be changed because the heart is the heart of the matter.
- I fear that too many times we get the process reversed that we want to change behavior before and without truly changing the heart.
- Behavior is only important and acceptable by God if it springs forth from a good heart.

2 Our Morals Will Be Different

Ephesians 4:25–32; Romans 2:17–24; Romans 3:1–3

- Because the heart has changed, our morals and our ethics will be different.
- Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God also in Christ forgave you.
- If we're a child of God, our morals, our behavior must be new and better and different.
- He was not preaching to the world. He was talking to baptized believers like you and I.
- You therefore who teach another, do you not teach yourself?
- The time is past for children of God to be living a double life.

3 Our Priorities Will Be Different

Ephesians 5:15–16

- If our heart is different, our priorities will be different. Because you see, Christ has changed everything in us.
- See then you walk circumspectly. Not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time. Because the days are evil.
- One of the greatest markers that we have for where our priorities lie is where we spend our time.
- We say, I don't have time. Well, really, that's not true, is it? What we really mean is, I don't want to make time.

- The way we spend our time, the way we use our energy, our resources, our money, everything else has been changed.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **God help us to truly be converted, to truly put on the new man, to have a change of heart that is reflected in our morals and in our time. What about you? Have you put on the new man in Christ Jesus?**

MY NOTES