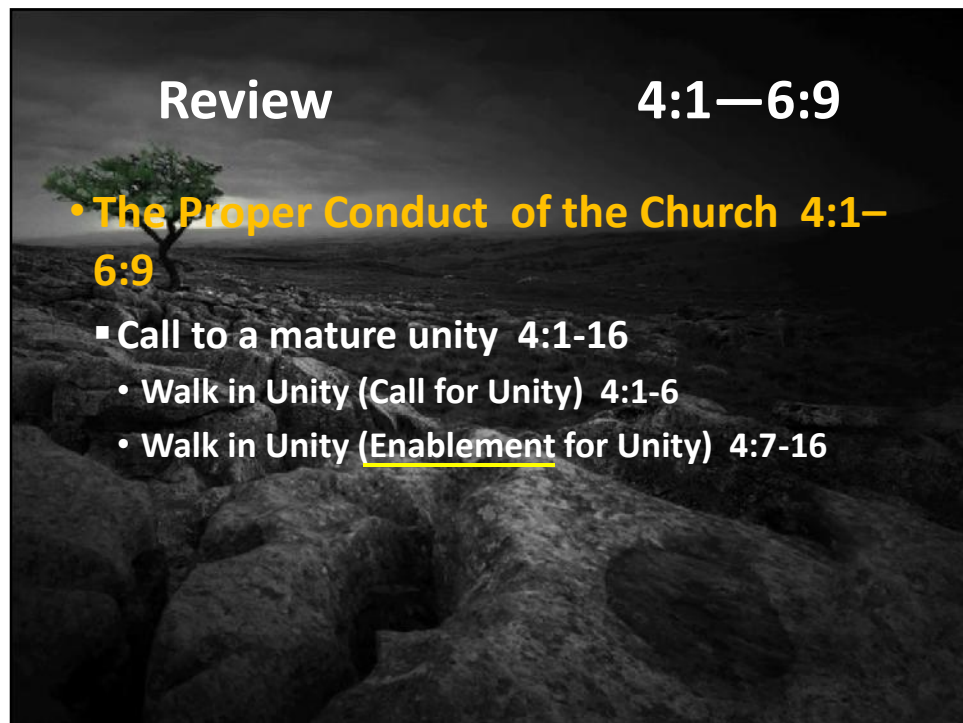


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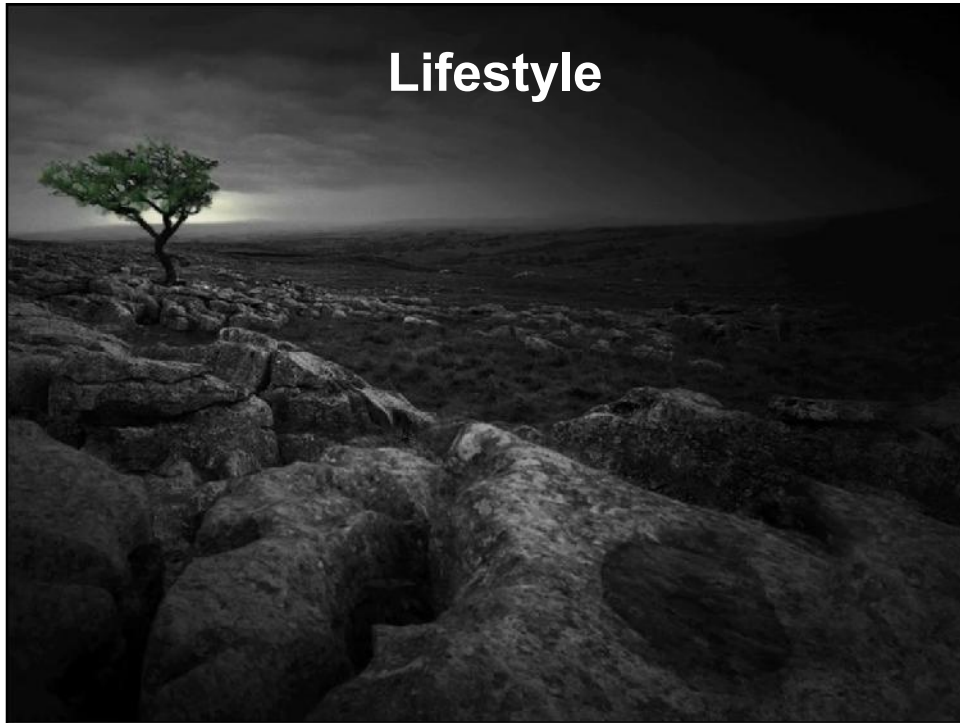
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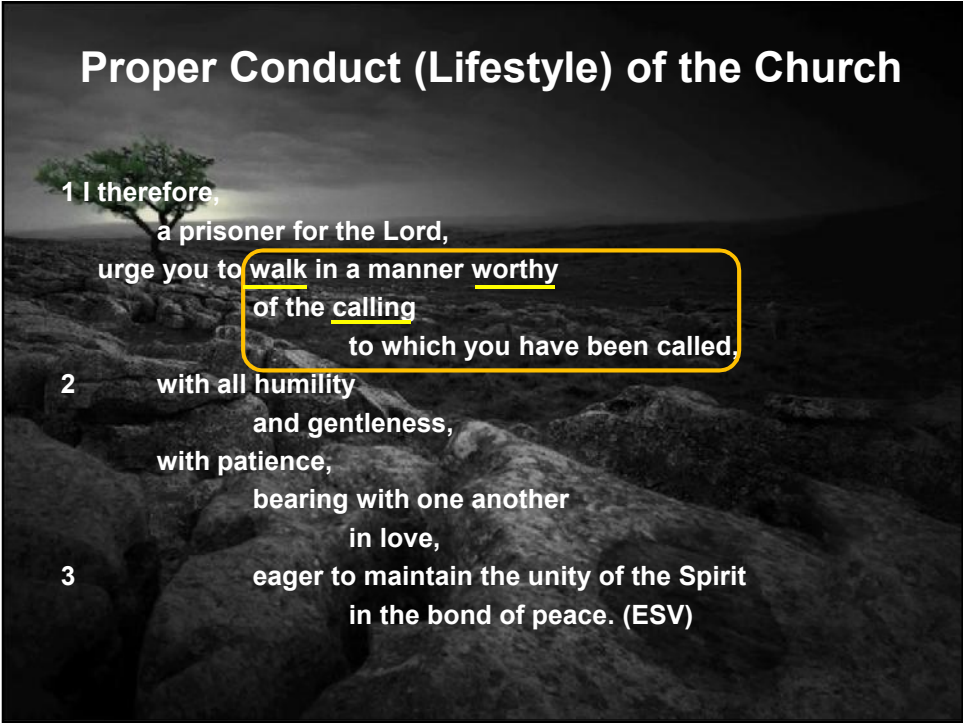
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 - Walk in Unity (Enablement for Unity) 4:7-16



Lifestyle
“The way a person lives”

- **Lifestyles of the rich and famous**
 - Where do they live?
 - What do they own?
 - How do they act?
 - Why do they do all of the above?
- **Lifestyle of believers**
 - Where do they live?
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Proper Conduct (Lifestyle) of the Church

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- 1 I therefore,
a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to walk in a manner worthy
of the calling
to which you have been called.
- 2 with all humility
and gentleness,
with patience,
bearing with one another
in love,
- 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace. (ESV)

“Worthy” = equal weight



“...the calling with which you were called,”

- Called to be conformed to the image of Christ

Romans 8:29 For those whom he foreknew he also **predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son**, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also **called**, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

- Called to be the possession of Christ

Romans 1:5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for **the sake of his name** among all the nations, 6 including you who are **called to belong to Jesus Christ**, (ESV)

What walk (lifestyle) is worthy of those two callings?

Jesus' lifestyle



Believer's lifestyle

The Believer's Walk (lifestyle) What not to think and do

Ephesians 4:17-19

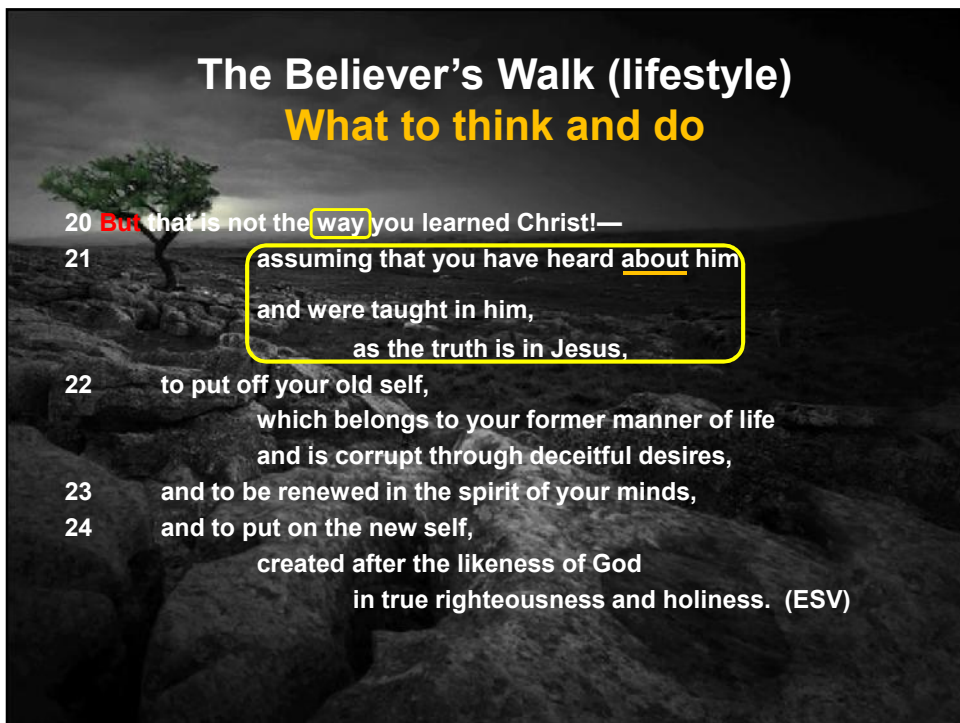
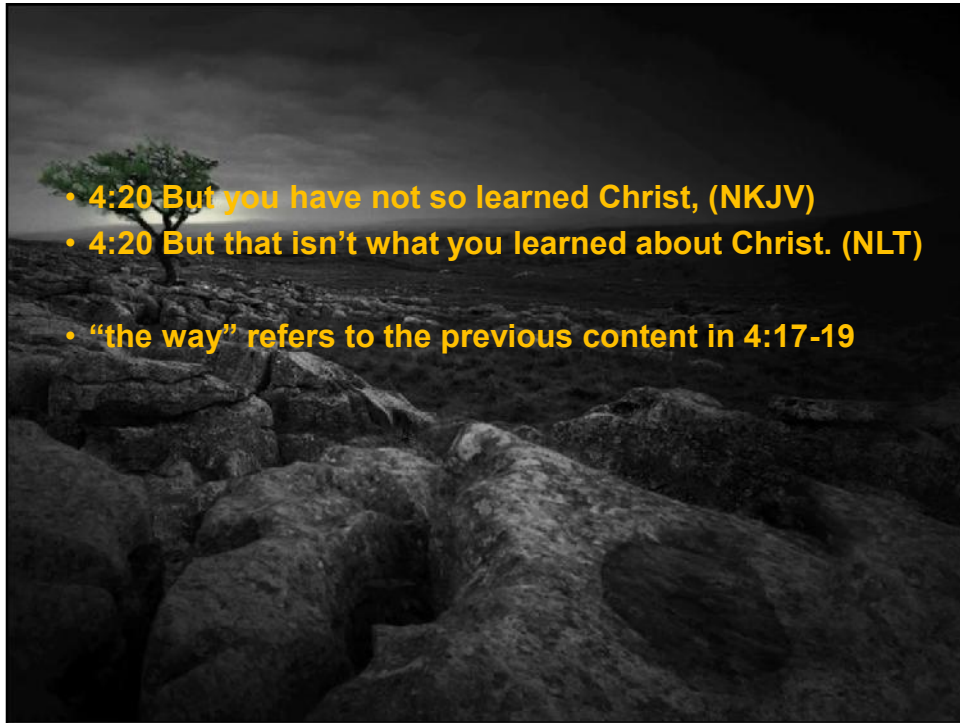
17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord,
that you must no longer **walk as the Gentiles do**,
in the **futility** of their **minds**.

18 **They** are **darkened** in their **understanding**.
alienated from the life of God
because of the **ignorance** that is in them,
due to their **hardness** of **heart**.

19 **They** have become **callous**
and have given themselves up to **sensuality**,
greedy to practice every kind of **impurity**. (ESV)

The Believer's Walk (lifestyle) What to think and do

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and were taught in him,
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and is corrupt through deceitful desires,
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The mind determines and directs the lifestyle.

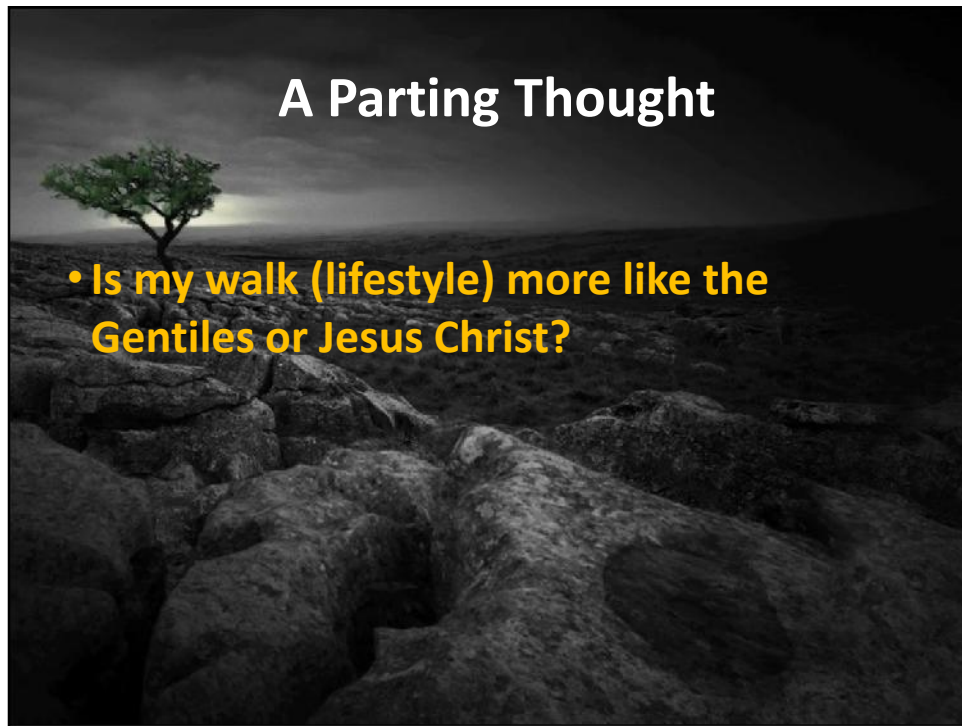
- What causes the “renewing” of the mind?
- What do we actually do to “put off” the old self?
- What do we actually do to “put on” the new self?
- How can we help each other with all of the above?

Summary

- **Do not think and live like the unsaved.**
- **Do think and live like Jesus Christ.**

Suggested Application

- **Sinful desires and passions are never satisfied.**
- **Information is needed for transformation.**
- **We must make a clean break from our former life to be pure.**



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Characteristics of a worthy walk (lifestyle) in Ephesians

- 2:10 ...for good works, that we should walk in them.
- 4:17 ...no longer walk as the Gentiles do, ...
- 5:2 ...walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself...
- 5:8 Walk as children of light.
- 5:15 ...walk, not as unwise but as wise,... (ESV)