

## “The New Self in the Likeness of God” – Sermon Notes

June 9, 2024 – Ephesians 4:17-24 – series: The Faithful One

You Were in Sin...	You Are in Christ...
<i>Gentiles</i>	Followers of the W_____ of Jesus
<i>In our old self</i>	Part of N_____ humanity
<i>Living in futility</i>	Living with P_____
<i>Separated from the life of God</i>	Living in C_____
<i>Ignorance</i>	K_____ the truth that is in Jesus
<i>Spiritually &amp; morally calloused</i>	S_____ to spiritual things
<i>Indulging in impurity, greed, lust</i>	Self-C_____
<i>Sinful</i>	

**The Way of Sin :** Sin → H\_\_\_\_\_ → Ignorance → Dulling of Senses → C\_\_\_\_\_ → Indulgence → Chains of Addiction

**Holiness** is the true, good otherness of God; the moral goodness of God and people like God.

**Righteousness** is persons and the world when set right and living right; just-ness and justice.

### Questions for reflection:

- Am I giving in to sin? Or am I resisting temptation?
- Am I consecrated unto God and sanctified by Him?

## Sunday Seconds: “The New Self in the Likeness of God” (for small group discussion or personal reflection)

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1. In our culture, some find it hard to talk about right and wrong. But the Bible has no such reluctance. It warns us about it. Why?
  2. vv17-19 describe a dulling of senses and hardening of heart due to sin. Have you experienced either? If you're willing, share what that is like.
  3. Have you experienced a growing sensitivity to God and spiritual things? What is it like to be sensitive to goodness and grow in that?
  4. Pastor Eric said that righteousness is the sense that things are right in us, the result of holy living and goodness. Ephesians 5:1-2 says something about this as does 8-10. Have you experienced this? If so, please share.
  5. To find strength as a Christian, God guides us to other believers to help us along the way. See Proverbs 27:17. Do you have brothers or sisters in Christ who do this for you?
- ➔ This week, pray for each other's strength for God's holiness in each other.