

Putting Off...Putting On

Ephesians: Living in Light of Our Eternal Portfolio

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In Ephesians 4:17-24, Paul says that one of our priorities is to help our Christian friends. There are two distinct actions that will set us up to do this well, all for His glory and their good.

I. Our Christian Friends Need Us to Stop Acting like Unbelievers (4:17-19).

Unbelievers are:

A. Intellectually Compromised (*vv. 17b-18a*)

B. Spiritually Impaired (*v. 18b*)

C. Morally Corrupted (*v. 19*)

The more we act like unbelievers, the more we'll neglect our Christian friends.

II. Our Christian Friends Need Us to Practice our Identity in Christ (4:20-24).

Our new identity involves:

- A. Learning the Truth (vv. 20-21)
- B. Stripping Off the Old Self (v. 22)
- C. Refreshing our Minds (v. 23)
- D. Putting On the New Self (v. 24)

APPLICATION:

III. This Week, Try This:

A. Stop one thing you do regularly that is a
seriously _____ thing.

B. Instead, call, text, or email a Christian friend
who needs _____.

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