

A Walk Through EPHESIANS: March 22, 2020
Ephesians 4:17-5:2
Discussion Guide

CHECK UP:

Memory Work week 6: As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. - Ephesians 4:1-2

OPEN: Get your group talking by asking this question.

- In the midst of our current pandemic, what have you been most focused on?
 - o What is that a sign of spiritually?

READ and ASK: Ephesians 4:17-5:2

- How strong do you understand Paul's instructions to be? How passionate does he seem to be about this?
 - o How passionate do you think the average Christian is about "putting off the old self?"
- In your own words, how would you describe how Paul is instructing Christians to NOT behave? (vs 17-19)
 - o How do Christians live contrary to "the Gentiles"?
- In what ways do you see this text speaking directly to the church today?
- How are Christians to "imitate God" (or follow God's example)?

APPLY:

- Since being a Christian, what old habits have you stopped doing? What new habits have you begun doing?
 - o How are you still in process?
 - Of the lists of vices that Paul lists, which do you struggle with most? How can you make progress in those areas?
 - o How have you seen the new nature taking hold of your life?
- NEXT STEP: What specifically do you need to do this week in order to focus more closely on Christ?

Memory Work: You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. -Ephesians