

Ephesians Handout
Week Twenty-Two

What is true:

Note:

Gal.2:20

How do we actively seek to be renewed-

What fights against that-

20 But you did not learn Christ in this way, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus,

Here is what you were taught...

22 that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, 23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

25 Therefore:

laying aside (the lie) falsehood, SPEAK TRUTH EACH OF ONE OF YOU WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, for we are members of one another. 26 BE ANGRY, AND YET DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 and do not give a space for the adversary. 28 He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need. 29 Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear. 30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

-These are a sampling

-Most have to do with

Mat. 12:34

-They all concern

-They each involve a similar pattern.

v. 25 Negative prohibition:

Rom. 1:18, 21

Col. 3:9

Positive command:

Also we cannot withhold

Zech. 8:20

Jude 1:3

Reason:

Augustine: When regard for truth has been broken down or even slightly weakened, all things will remain doubtful,"

V. 26 Be angry, and yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 and do not give a space for the adversary.

Ps. 119

What is Paul focusing on here?

Ps. 4:1,
4:2-3
4:4-5
4:6-8

Don't let the sun go down:
Don't give a space (give the devil a foothold)
Micah 2:1, Rev. 12:7, Rev. 12:10

28 He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.

Negative prohibition:
Positive command:
Reasoning:

29 Let no unwholesome/evil/filthy/rotten word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

Negative prohibition: sapos- Mat. 7:17, Jam. 1:26
Examples
Also means saying that which is not useful.
Positive command:

According to the need of the moment
Lk. 4:22, Jam. 1:18

Reasoning:

30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
Jn. 15:26, 2 Cor. 13:14

The amazing thing:

Ask yourself...

Reasoning, we know the negative, but what is the positive motivation?

We are_____

1 Jn. 3:2-3
Up side! Ps. 103:2, Ps. 96:2