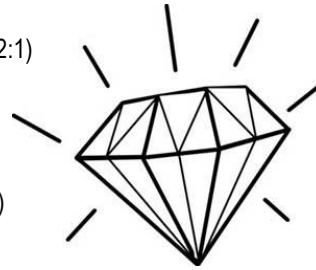


## The Riches of Righteousness

### Ephesians 4:17-24

#### I. Lesson #1 from Christ: PUT \_\_\_\_\_! (4:22)

- A. A new life requires the removal of the old life!
- B. Our former manner of life is spiritually destitute & continues to grow corrupt (2:1-3)
  1. We ONCE walked/lived in harmony with the world (2:2)
  2. We ONCE walked/lived in harmony with the flesh (2:3)
  3. We ONCE made ourselves children of \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1)
  4. We ONCE lived after "deceitful lusts" (4:22)
- C. "But God who is rich..." (2:4)
- D. I GET TO "Put off..."
  1. Falsehood (4:25)
  2. Outbursts of wrath & \_\_\_\_\_ anger (4:26-27)
  3. Stealing & dishonesty (4:28)
  4. Unwholesome \_\_\_\_\_ (4:29)
  5. Bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, slander, malice (4:31)
  6. Immorality, \_\_\_\_\_ and greed (5:3)
  7. Filthiness, foolish talking, crude joking (5:4)
- E. In my new life, some things don't fit!
- F. My wardrobe has changed, because I'm rich in righteousness & holiness!



### MY NOTES

#### II. Lesson #2 from Christ: PUT IN! (4:23)

- A. A new life requires a new spirit of mind/new \_\_\_\_\_
- B. With removal of the old, corrupt, deceitful man, we can see things more clearly!
- C. We are NO LONGER:
  1. Futile in thought (4:17)
  2. Darkened in understanding (4:18)
  3. Ignorant, hard-hearted or callous (4:18-19)
  4. Giving ourselves to sensuality, impurity & greed (4:19)
  5. In darkness and we NO LONGER are \_\_\_\_\_ (5:8)
- D. I GET TO "Put in" its place:
  1. A new \_\_\_\_\_ pursuit to "find out what is acceptable/ pleasing to the Lord" (5:10)
  2. A life as "light in the Lord" (5:8)
  3. A "walk as children of light" (5:8)
  4. A fruit-filled life of \_\_\_\_\_, righteousness, truth (5:9)
- E. In my new life, some things don't look good anymore!
- F. My eyesight has changed, because I'm rich in righteousness & holiness!

#### III. Lesson #3 from Christ: \_\_\_\_\_! (4:24)

- A. A new life brings a new identity, new passion and new ways of living
- B. Those once-needed works of darkness are now seen as futile & \_\_\_\_\_ (5:11-14)
  1. NEW & resolute focus must be given to our NEW man:
  2. NEW identity, in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17; Gal. 6:15)
  3. NEW life, in Christ (Rom. 6:4)
  4. NEW \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 4:24b)
  5. Created in the likeness of God (Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10)
  6. Created in the image of true righteousness & \_\_\_\_\_ (4:24)
- C. I GET TO live and share the riches of righteousness!
  1. I GET TO BE honest and \_\_\_\_\_ (4:25)
  2. I GET TO BE anger righteously (4:26-27)
  3. I GET TO BE genuine, \_\_\_\_\_ & generous (4:28)
  4. I GET TO BE encouraging/edifying with my words (4:29)
  5. I GET TO BE nice, kind and forgiving (4:31-32)
  6. I GET TO BE \_\_\_\_\_ (5:4)
- D. In my new life, some things don't matter anymore! My affections have changed, because I'm rich in righteousness & holiness!

#### Conclusion:

- A. I'm Rich in Holiness, because I'm a SAINT! So What? Now What?
- B. Keep the old garments out of the closet & help brethren to do the same
- C. Continually \_\_\_\_\_ the spirit of your mind & help brethren to do the same
- D. Live it up in the riches of righteousness & help brethren to do the same