



## Review

-- Paul devotes the first three chapters of Ephesians to teaching us who we are as the church of Jesus Christ.

-- **In the final three chapters, the Spirit reveals at least seven core commitments of membership that matters.**

- 1.) Every member is committed to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 4:1-6).
- 2.) Every member is committed to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 4:7-16).
- 3.) Every member is committed to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 4:17-32).

### 1.) Our growth together begins with \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17-22).

-- As Christ's church, we must not be like the world (v. 17-19, 2 Cor. 5:17).

-- v. 20-22 – Holy living begins with brokenness over sin.

-- It begins with despising the old sinful self and putting it off for the glory of God.

-- While change in our lives begins with remorse over sin, it surely does not end there.

### 2.) Our growth together moves forward through \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 23).

-- v. 23 – The key step in both putting off the old and in putting on the new is to renew our minds in truth (Romans 12:2).

-- Meaningful transformation happens when we stop conforming to the world and start conforming to the \_\_\_\_\_.

-- Inherent in this step is our need to study God's Word diligently (Joshua 1:8, Psalm 119:92-93).

**3.) Our growth together is made complete by \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 24-32).**

**-- v. 24 – Change in us is not complete until it culminates in replacement.**

-- While holy living certainly begins with putting off the old self, it culminates in the putting on the new.

-- God is not only calling us to stop doing what he condemns, but to start doing what He commands.

**-- v. 25-32 – Paul provides several real-life examples of spiritual replacement.**

-- In each example, the holy action or attitude that must be put on is the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ of the unholy action or attitude that must be put off.

-- Change that brings glory to God, then, means not only turning away from sin but turning toward the opposite virtue.

-- The growth God is working in us will never happen by merely trying to stop bad behavior.

-- Rather, we must also take the extra step and very intentionally start the opposite good.

**-- The \_\_\_\_\_ ought to be a place where replacement is constantly taking place.**

-- God's plan for change is supremely modeled once and for all at Calvary.

-- Just as the cross is only made complete by the Resurrection, spiritual growth is only made complete by replacement.

-- To live up to the calling we have received, we must be completely committed to spiritual growth.