



Sermon Questions: *Grace-Filled Identity*

Date: *July 4, 2021* | **Scripture:** *Ephesians 4:25-32*

1. Read Ephesians 4:25-32. What are the six general examples Paul gives of how grace changes everything?
2. Choose two of the examples. What does it look like in this passage to put off the old self **and** put on the new self?
3. How have you seen other Christians not only put off the old self (repenting of sins of commission, forsaking ungodly behaviors) but also putting on the new self (addressing sins of omission, starting new godly behaviors)? Think of others in your CG or church family first.
4. 'All this life change is the result, not the cause. Be who you already are.' How does God's verdict of justification in Christ affect how you read these challenging verses?
5. How might you encourage a friend who reads this, wants to change, but doesn't see it happening in their life? (consider educating or forcing someone out of sin, versus the logic of verse 32).

Inward Grace in Action

The questions below are a little more intimate and are meant to be discussed with a trusted friend or partner.

1. How do you do on the check/cross exercise running through these six behaviors? Are there particular areas where you are convicted of sin, or where you encouraged reflecting on how Christ has changed you?
2. Have you experienced the love of Christ in your battle against sin?

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Ephesians 4
- 2 Corinthians 5:11-21
- John 5:19-29
- Isaiah 43:1-13
- Romans 6:1-14
- Psalm 1

Listen to the Ephesians worship playlist on Spotify.

Reach out if you need assistance during this time:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org

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