

# How Do You Disciple a New Believer?

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1. Eph. 4:17-24 - Contrast the old life in sin to the new life in Christ.
  - a. Rom. 7:14-21 - We do the things we do not want to do because our fleshly desires encourage believers to sin.
  - b. Col. 3:1-11 - Upon salvation the spiritually dead part of man is made alive with Christ while the sin nature still remains.
  - c. Gal. 5:13-26 - Believers need to be improving on the new spiritual man by applying the fruit, or attributes, of the Holy Spirit.
2. Eph. 4:25-32 - Give practical step to become new like Christ.
  - a. Matt. 28:19-20 - Believers have been mandated to go out and disciple others by teaching them what Christ has taught.
    - i. Eph. 4:25 - Speak truth
    - ii. vs 26 - Do not have sinful anger
    - iii. vs 28 - Do good for others
    - iv. vs 29 - Speak encouraging words
    - v. vs 32 - Be kind, tender hearted and forgiving of others.
  - b. Col. 3:16-17 - All of this is only possible through prayer and submission to God.

# Discussion Questions

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**Ice breaker:** Who was your craziest teacher? Why do you remember them as the crazy teacher? (Ex. This teacher let you play a historical board game for several weeks as class work for history class)

- Is it important to see the difference between life in sin compared to life in Christ (Rom. 7:14-21)? What does it mean to put off the old, spiritual man (Col. 3:1-11)? Will we ever be able to completely stop sinning in this life (Lev. 5:15, 17)?
- What is a area in your reactions towards others that you are currently working on (Eph. 4:25-32)? What passage convicted you of this issue? Does true change only come from biblical truth (Ps. 51)?
- Why have we been mandated to disciple (Matt. 28:19-20)? Is discipleship essential for the Christian life (Pro. 27:17)? Do Christians need discipleship, or teaching (Ecc. 4:9-12)?
- What is needed for biblical change (Col. 3:16)? is there a difference between physical change and spiritual change (Isa. 40:28-31, )? Is it possible to spiritually change but not physically change?

**Digging Deeper:** Does someone need to spiritually change before real change occurs? (Pro. 4:23, Jer. 17:9, Luke 6:42-45, 1 Sam. 16:7, Rom. 10:9-11)