

# How Do I Live This Life Everyday?

Ephesians 4:1-32

Walk This Way

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As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Ephesians 4:1 (NIV)

Have Great \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

## Comes by:

1. Self-Denial (vs. 2)
2. Pursuing Oneness (vs. 3-5)
3. Submitting to God (vs. 6)

Have a life \_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_

But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. Ephesians 4:7 (NIV)

From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. Ephesians 4:16 (NIV)

**<sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism; <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:2-6 (NIV)**

- **By being obedient to His \_\_\_\_\_.**

It was He who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers... Ephesians 4:11 (NIV)

- **By Examining my attitude of \_\_\_\_\_**

...to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up... Ephesians 4:12 (NIV)

## Note: Why Church?

- **Because we are like \_\_\_\_\_**

He went to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day He went into the synagogue, as was His custom. And He stood up to read. Luke 4:16 (NIV)

- **Because it allows us to fulfill His \_\_\_\_\_**

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to Himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. Ephesians 5:25-27 (NIV)

- **Demonstrates our \_\_\_\_\_**

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household. Ephesians 2:19 (NIV)

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. Romans 12:3-5 (NIV)

- **Because we are a \_\_\_\_\_**

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:26-27 (NIV)

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2 (NIV)

- **Because it prepares us for \_\_\_\_\_**

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

- **Because it accomplishes the \_\_\_\_\_ of being \_\_\_\_\_**

So it is with you. Since you are eager to have spiritual gifts, try to excel in gifts that build up the church. 1 Corinthians 14:12 (NIV)

### Results?

1. **I will have unity with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_**

Until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Ephesians 4:13 (NIV)

2. **I will see spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_**

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Him who is the Head, that is, Christ. Ephesians 4:14-15 (NIV)

3. **I will have God's \_\_\_\_\_ on how I \_\_\_\_\_**

So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more.

Ephesians 4:17-19 (NIV)

### How Is this Life Attained?

You, however, did not come to know Christ that way. Surely you heard of Him and were taught in Him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. Ephesians 4:20-21 (NIV)

1. **Put \_\_\_\_\_ (active verb) = \_\_\_\_\_**

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires. Ephesians 4:22 (NIV)

2. **Put \_\_\_\_\_ (passive verb) = \_\_\_\_\_**

To be made new in the attitude of your minds; Ephesians 4:23 (NIV)

3. **Be \_\_\_\_\_ (active verb) = \_\_\_\_\_**

And to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:24 (NIV)

<sup>25</sup> Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. <sup>26</sup> "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, <sup>27</sup> and do not give the devil a foothold. <sup>28</sup> He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need. <sup>29</sup> Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:20-32 (NIV)

### Test of a true life?

1. **Honesty** (vs. 25)
2. **Lack of Anger** (vs. 26)
3. **Victory of Satan** (vs. 27)
4. **Hard Worker** (vs. 28)
5. **Generous** (vs. 28b)
6. **Godly Language** (vs. 29)
7. **Encourager** (vs. 29b)
8. **Obedient to God** (vs. 30)
9. **Even Tempered** (vs. 31)
10. **Forgiving** (vs. 32)

