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IDENTITY ... Identity Realignment - Ephesians 4:17-32

Life can get out of **alignment**.

Our lives are **aligned** for what we are getting.

So if we are experiencing frustration, fatigue, failure, fights, fits, flare ups and fires in life at every turn, then there is a good chance that our lives are out of alignment with our true identity.

So, what is your life aligned for? Do you want what you want or what God wants?

Is there alignment in your life with God?

We are called to **realign** our **lives** with the life of Christ.

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that **you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do**, in the **futility** of their minds.
Ephesians 4:17

They are **darkened** in their **understanding**, **alienated from the life of God** because of the **ignorance** that is in them, due to their **hardness of heart**. They have become **callous** and have given themselves up to **sensuality**, **greedy** to practice every kind of impurity.
Ephesians 4:18-19

You cannot **take off** what you cannot **see**.

But that is not the way you learned Christ!— assuming that you have heard about him and **were taught in him**, as the **truth is in Jesus**, to **put off your old self**, which belongs to your **former manner of life** and is **corrupt through deceitful desires**,
Ephesians 4:20-22

The process of **identity realignment** is a **daily** activity where we put on our true identity.

and to be **renewed in the spirit** of your minds, and to **put on the new self**, created after the **likeness of God** in true **righteousness** and **holiness**.
Ephesians 4:23-24

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also **lay aside every weight**, and **sin which clings so closely**, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us ...
Hebrews 12:1

... **looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith**, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.
Hebrews 12:2

Take off what is **false** - Put on God's **truth**.

Therefore, having put away **falsehood**, let each one of you **speak the truth** with his neighbor, for **we are members one of another**.
Ephesians 4:25

Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.
Colossians 3:9-10

Take off self-serving **anger** - Put on God's **authority**.

Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Ephesians 4:26-27

Take off **greed** - Put on **generosity**.

Let the thief **no longer steal**, but rather let him **labor**, doing **honest work** with his own hands, **so that** he may **have something to share with anyone in need**.
Ephesians 4:28

Take off **tearing** others down - Put on **building** others up.

Let **no corrupting talk** come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for **building up**, as **fits the occasion**, that it may **give grace to those who hear**. Ephesians 4:29

Take off self-centered **agenda** - Put on your Christ-centered **identity**.

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Ephesians 4:30

Take off these six **vices** - Put on these three **virtues**.

Let all **bitterness** and **wrath** and **anger** and **clamor** and **slander** be **put away from you**, along with all **malice**. Ephesians 4:31

Be kind to one another, **tenderhearted**, **forgiving** one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32

4 steps to daily **realigning** our identity:

- **Recognize**
- **Repent**
- **Recommit**
- **Renew**