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Bible Study

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Biblical Revelations about Hindrances to Living a Godly Life

Ephesians 4:21-32

I Thessalonians 4:7 reads, “For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.” (NIV) This verse reveals the type of behavior the Lord despises and desires as it relates to believers. One sure way for Saints to be abundantly blessed is to govern their lifestyle in accordance with Scripture. A powerful tool of Satan is to constantly prevent believers from living a life of sanctification. This lesson is designed to share biblical revelations about hindrances to living a life pleasing to God.

Breakdown of Ephesians Chapter 4

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| 1. The <u>Words</u> | to Believers | Verses 1-6 |
| 2. The <u>Worth</u> | of Believers | Verses 7-16 |
| 3. The <u>Work</u> | from Believers | Verses 17-32 |

1. Believers should know that Immaturity can prevent them from living a life pleasing to God.
Verses 14, 15
“Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won’t be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. 15) Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.” (NLT)
2. Believers should know that Immorality can prevent them from living a life pleasing to God.
Verses 17-19
“With the Lord’s authority I say this: Live no longer as the Gentiles do, for they are hopelessly confused. 18) Their minds are full of darkness; they wander far from the life God gives because they have closed their minds and hardened their hearts against him. 19) They have no sense of shame. They live for lustful pleasure and eagerly practice every kind of impurity.” (NLT)

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