

Application

How does your life and your behaviour currently compare with what the Bible says?
Does anything need to change?

What needs to change first – the way we think or our behaviour?

Do you think this statement is true?

“Your true self is seen in what you do in private, not what you do in public.”

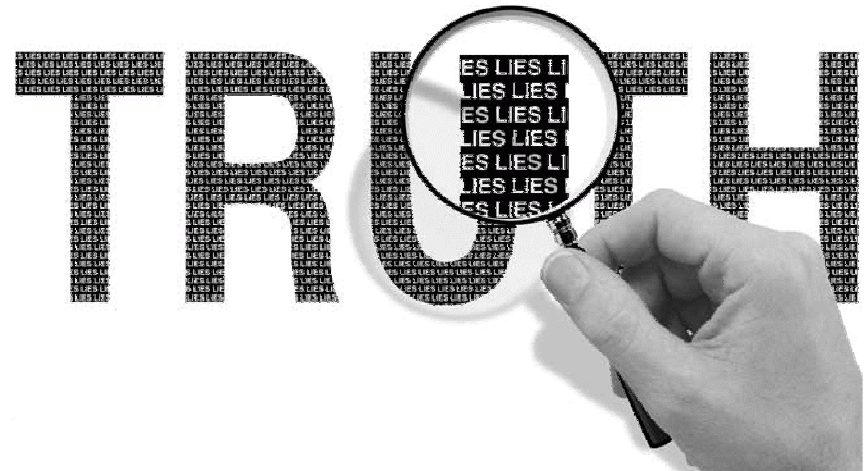
Are you ready to change? What do you really need to change?

1. No Moralism!

2. Living as a Christian

Ephesians study 6

True Living vs False Desires!



Discuss

Do grace and forgiveness promote licentious behaviour (ie do whatever you want), or do they promote godly behaviour (ie do what pleases God)? Explain your answer.

Read Ephesians 4:17–32 and 5:1–20.

In this passage Paul makes a distinction between the behaviour of a Christian and the behaviour of a Gentile (v17). According to Paul what are the differences?

4:17

4:18

4:19

4:20

4:21–24

A good way to help people change their behaviour is to help them replace bad behaviour with good behaviour. Look at the passage (4:25–5:21) and fill in the table below.

	Bad behaviours to get rid of	to be replaced by good behaviours
4:25		
4:26–27		
4:28		
4:29		
4:30		
4:31–32		

5:1–3		
5:4		
5:6–8		
5:9–10		
5:15–16		
5:17		
5:18–19		

According to the Paul what are the motivations for making these changes?

4:20–24

5:8–10

What is at the heart of legalism (ie following rules) and how is it different from having a genuine desire to live God’s way?