# Ephesians 4:17-21 – Rescued From Futility

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. **18**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. **19**They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. **20**But that is not the way you learned Christ!— **21**assuming that you have heard about Him and were taught in Him, as the truth is in Jesus.

**The primary aim this morning** is four-fold**:** to talk about something that’s rarely talked about today – namely sin – to reinforce what, I hope, many of us already know, to provide the grounds for deeper and more successful repentance and life-change in Christ, and to equip us with Paul’s take on some of the basics of our faith that are essential in both evangelism and making much of Christ in our daily living.

Treating the Symptoms vs. Dealing with the Root

Six levels of evil in our heart:

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**The escape or rescue from futility:**