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Instructions for Completing the Lessons

Begin each study session with prayer. It is the Holy Spirit who makes spiritual things discernable to Christians, so it is essential to be in fellowship with the Lord during Bible study.

Read the whole book of Ephesians often. It is a short book, and reading it many times will help you understand the story much better.

Instructions

1. Read the introduction to the study of Ephesians
 2. Study the Ephesians passage for this lesson, by reading the verses and studying the notes. Be sure to read any other Bible passages that are called out in the notes.
 3. **Review** all of the notes in the Ephesians lesson.
 4. Go to the Quiz page and follow the instructions to complete all the questions on the quiz. The quiz is "open book". You may refer to all the notes and to the Bible when you take the test. But you should not get help from another person.
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Ephesians 3:17

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

Verses 17 to 19 continue to state Paul's purpose for his fervent prayer for his beloved friends in Ephesus. He agonizes over his great desire that believers steadfastly pursue that which builds them up in faith, the Word of God, taught by the Holy Spirit, and lodged in the hearts of believers.

Christ "dwelling in your hearts", or "Christ at home in your hearts" is a reference to edification, to the "roots" which are the foundation of a growing Christian's life. "Heart" is from the Greek word KARDIA which is always used in the Bible to refer to the inner life, the life of the soul.

Christ is the Word of God (John 1), so "Christ in the heart" is equivalent to "the Word in the life."

Your mentality is part of your soul. You do your thinking in your soul. You also do your deciding (volition) and your appreciating (emotion) in your soul. The Sin Nature is also part of your inner life, so there is always negative motivation present - you will be tempted to make the wrong decisions and to commit sin.

The most important weapon in combating sin, in having victory over personal sin, is the Word of God locked (rooted) in the soul. By faith we understand the Word; by faith we believe it; by faith we accept it. Christian growth is the process of learning and applying the Word of God so that a system of divine standards is built up in the soul. God's "wisdom and prudence", with their continuous influence in our decision making and our problem solving, are the tools with which we function in the Christian life.

"by faith"

Belief in Christ is required. Belief in the Word of God is required. The process is as follows:

God the Father provided the written revelation of His thinking. "We have the mind of Christ."

Communicators (pastors, teachers) teach the Word for the purpose of bringing us to maturity (Ephesians 4:11 to 16). The local church is the principal environment for learning doctrine and

growing in grace. In some manner, truth must be communicated from the Bible to the mind.

The Holy Spirit dwells in us. When we are filled with the Spirit (spiritual), the Spirit teaches us and brings us to understanding of those things which are "spiritually discerned." This understanding is GNOSIS, knowledge in the mind of the soul. However, further decisions are required for application.

Once a principle of Scripture is understood, a believer has a choice, whether to adopt the teaching, believe the teaching, obey the teaching - in short, "faith" is required. Faith, in effect, causes the transfer of truth from the mind to the "heart". Head knowledge becomes heart knowledge through the exercise of faith.

Once an unbeliever understands the gospel, he must make a choice. Faith in the gospel brings about regeneration and all that is associated with it.

When a Christian understands a Bible principle, a choice must be made. Faith in a promise brings about claiming the promise. Faith in a command brings about obedience to the command.

It is absolutely vital that you always stay positive to Bible truth. But here is where the spiritual tragedies occur. Believers who have heard Bible teaching, and understand it through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, fail to utilize the doctrine by appropriating it by faith.

The "roots" of doctrine in the "heart" become part of the foundation and building that is growing in the believer's soul (EPIGNOSIS). The "edifice" is in the process of construction. And a Biblical frame of reference is formed in which Bible truth becomes the basis for understanding deeper truth. Bible principles are stored in the heart to make a Christian ready for any contingency which requires godly decision making or problem solving.

"that ye being rooted and grounded"

"Rooted" is the perfect passive participle of RIZOW, "to take root."

"Grounded" is the perfect passive participle of THEMELIOW, "to lay a foundation."

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The perfect tense points to that teaching which resides permanently in the soul.

The passive voice shows that the believer receives the action of the verb, that it is God that plants and roots the doctrine. This activity is a Grace gift; the believer receives these benefits from the Lord.

The participle indicates that this is a law of God.

"in love" - EN plus the instrumental of AGAPAW. "By means of love."

Read Romans 5:5, Galatians 5:22.

Ephesians 3:18

May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

"May be able" - aorist active subjunctive of EKSISCHUW, "to be quite able", "to have an endowed strength."

This is the focus of Paul's prayer. The subjunctive mood of the verb indicates that the ability to comprehend is potential - the results depends on the believer's choices.

Here is the spiritually devastating part of non-volitional theology. The training of a believer's volition is neglected; but, since deliberate choices are required at every stage of growth, the believer's growth is short-circuited.

Topic: NEGATIVE VOLITION

The choices in the Christian must be made from valid objects, from doctrine in the inner man. Religion is insidious in that it holds out a selection of INVALID choices, none of which lead to edification.

"to comprehend" - aorist middle infinitive of KATALAMBANW, "to seize; to lay ahold of."

The middle voice is reflexive, showing that the benefit to be gained from "seizing" truth accrues to the subject ("you"). Thus it means "to seize for yourself!" This is a VOLITIONAL WORD. It carries far more meaning than mere "comprehension." There is a "seizing", a grasping and possessing of something.

Compare Mark 9:18, where the "speechless" spirit "seizes" the son with an unrelenting grip and "throws him," "convulses him," "tears at him."

This understanding of the force of KARALAMBANW leads to a new reading of any verse which contains it.

John 1:5, "...darkness did not seize for itself the truth"

John 8:3, "...seized in adultery"

John 12:25, If you do not "seize" the light, darkness will "seize" you.

Examples from the koine Greek in the papyri (Moulton and Milligan):

"I have impounded (KATALAMBANW) the property..."

Colonists "appropriated" (KATALAMBANW) the farm land.

To "detect (KATALAMBANW) in a crime"

READ I Tim. 5:4.

I Cor. 9:24, "one receives (LAMBANW) the prize. So run that you may obtain (KATALAMBANW)"

Phil. 3:12,13, the word "apprehend" is KATALAMBANW.

Application

A believer has every grace opportunity to benefit fully from divine provision and strength.

There is benefit from acquiring EPIGNOSIS, "full and applied knowledge" of Bible truth.

The believer must wholeheartedly and forcefully "seize" doctrine.

This is Paul's constant prayer.

"with all saints".

All believers have the same apparatus for understanding Scripture, the Holy Spirit - "He shall teach you all things."

All have "riches of glory", "strengthening of the inner man", "Christ dwelling within."

"what is the breadth (PLATOS), length (MEIKOS), depth (BATHOS), and height (HUPSOS)."

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Shows that all Bible truth is available to all Christians. All of the revelation is intended for each of us.

Ephesians 3:19

And to know the love of Christ, which passes knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fullness of God.

"And to know the love of Christ"

The experience of knowing Christ and the love that comes from Him is the result of edification, and it is what Paul desires for the Ephesians. As you learn Bible truth and apply faith to it, you grow in grace and in your knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"which passes knowledge"

The verb "passes" is HUPERBALLW, "to surpass; to throw beyond". "Knowledge" is GNOSIS, "mental understanding in the human mind.

Knowledge of the love of Christ (EPIGNOSIS) is produced by edification and surpasses any purely human mental knowledge.

Application

When there is something that surpasses, be aware that there is still something you need; there is still a distance to go.

The word for knowledge (GNOSIS) refers to knowledge in the mind of the soul.

To know something which surpasses GNOSIS means to have wisdom in the "heart" (EPIGNOSIS).

This surpassing knowledge is the spiritual IQ of the believer, and it's based on the quantity and quality of the applied knowledge in the heart.

The greater the spiritual IQ, the greater the knowledge of the love of Christ.

There is a surpassing experience available to every person - to have a real, object, experiential wisdom that passes knowledge.

"that ye might be filled"

"Filled" is the aorist active subjunctive of PLEIROW, which has several related meanings in the Greek New Testament.

"To fill up a deficiency" - The deficiency is in the believer's soul, namely a lack of spiritual IQ. The "fullness of God" is not there, so it must be provided.

"To fully possess" - Bible truth in the spirit is knowledge that is fully possessed by the human spirit. This is a reference to "Christ at home in your hearts by faith."

"To fully influence" - Edification fully influences the life of a believer.

"To fill with a certain quality" - The believer's spiritual quality, his spiritual IQ and level of edification, are available to be used to provide a quality life. A quality life is characterized by: Faith-Rest, Joy, Peace, a relaxed mental attitude, occupation with Christ, divine production of gold, silver, precious stones.

The verb "filled" is in the subjunctive mood. This means that edification is not a given, it is potential. The tragedy here is that there are those who fade out rapidly.

Example: the parable of the sower, in which:

The unbeliever by the wayside rejects the gospel.

The person on rock soil has knowledge pushed out by suffering.

Thorns refer to slavery to the details of life, resulting in no edification.

But knowledge (GNOSIS) plus good soil (FAITH) produce wisdom (EPIGNOSIS), and the production of divine good.

"with all the fullness of God" - the complete package - length, breadth, depth, height.

Ephesians 3:20,21

Now unto him that is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

"Now unto him that is able"

God the Father is the author of the plan for the Christian's growth. God knew all about human IQ, and He knew what IQ every person would

have. He decided not to use any of it and designed a grace plan for spiritual perception that would depend on the Holy Spirits teaching ministry rather than a person's ability to understand.

"to do exceedingly abundantly above" - a double adverb meaning "beyond all measure; infinitely more than". This is the highest form of comparison in New Testament Greek.

God is able to do what we cannot do, beyond anything that we can imagine.

"all that we ask or think" - prayer will not produce edification, and it's far beyond what the greatest genius could devise. You can ask God to edify you, but His answer will be "Everything has been provided for your edification, so get with the program."

"according to the power that works in us" - the power on the inside, the indwelling Holy Spirit working in the human spirit to produce the Christian life from the spiritual food of the Word of God.

Verse 21 - "unto this God be eternal worship and praise on the part of all believers through the person of the Lord Jesus Christ from now until eternal ages, even beyond the end of time itself."

Mental Attitude

Introduction

As a believer progresses in his Christian life, he experiences many profound changes in his thinking. His standards change gradually but radically; his frame of reference changes; his mental attitude soon becomes very different from what it once was. His previous way of thinking is replaced by the "mind of Christ" - God's viewpoint is becoming his own.

The greatest occupational hazard faced by a Christian is the failure to grow in Christ. Persistent personal sin carried on without repentance and confession keeps the Christian out of fellowship with the Lord and hinders the work of the Holy Spirit in the life.

The normal Christian life is a supernatural life. This life cannot be lived apart from the daily intake of spiritual food, the sustenance which

comes with the study of the Bible accompanied by the continuous control and ministry of the Holy Spirit. Inattention to the teaching of the Word of God concerning the mechanics of daily Christian living results in failure to grow in Christ. The believer who will not overcome these problems will not be able to enjoy the benefits and blessings of the Christian life, and he will certainly not be productive as a child of God.

This article reviews several factors relating to the subject of the believer's mental attitude. First, we note several categories of mental attitude sin which are the result of "not thinking Grace". Then we see the methods by which God arranges for human viewpoint thinking to be replaced with divine viewpoint thinking. This study will also show some of the important results in the life of the Christian who develops a godly mental attitude.

The Sin of Not Thinking Grace

A Christian decides many times every day whether he will follow God's plan for his life. In decisions great or small he expresses either his dependence on the Lord or his desire to be independent of God's direction. A believer has access to the perfect plan of God for his life, a plan which has certain predetermined divine standards by which every situation can be measured, by which every decisive opportunity can be judged. Many promises and blessings are available for use by the person who orders his life according to the patterns laid out in the Bible.

The person who is not positive to the plan of God, and who would apply his own human standards to life situations, does not operate by divine standards. He becomes involved in a variety of mental attitude sin problems stemming from his original decision to be independent of God. His life takes on the characteristics of one who does not "think Grace".

Grace is that characteristic of God which is an extension of His love for the human race and which causes Him to provide for every human need for time and eternity. The sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the Cross was the Work which made it possible for God to view every person as

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free from the guilt of sin and as an object of God's Grace provisions.

Failure to order one's thinking according to Grace involves several aspects of mental attitude sin, including the following :

A SPIRIT OF PRIDE -- this is an exalted feeling based on personal success or position, or based on good training or education, on personal appearance, or on some natural gift or ability. Sinful pride is an inner feeling of self-importance which does not take into account God's provision of every resource and quality which goes into one's human traits and capabilities.

LOVE OF, OR DESIRE FOR, HUMAN APPROBATION AND PRAISE -- this is a secret fondness for being noticed and recognized. It is a love of supremacy, or it is the drawing of attention to oneself by various types of exhibitionism or by spiritual one-upmanship.

SELF WILL -- this is the concept of the stubborn or unteachable nature, or implacability. Self will is a disposition to be argumentative, harsh, bitter, which causes one to be a "nit picker" or critical in the extreme, or to mind the business of others, or to fail to recognize the rights and privacy of others.

SINFUL REACTION TO SOCIAL PRESSURES -- these are the sins of anger, impatience, touchiness, or of having a sensitive nature. There is often resentment and retaliation when disapproved or contradicted. This area of sin generates jealousy, sour grapes, envy, and the accompanying bitterness, hatred, carrying of grudges, revenge tactics, and so forth.

Magnifying the faults and failings of others while emphasizing one's own virtues.

NEGATIVE DISPOSITION -- this is peevishness, a fretful disposition, one that loves to be coaxed and honored. It is a dishonest, deceitful attitude. It is a disposition that tends toward discouragement and despondency under pressure along with the attempt to solve one's problems by hysteria and tantrums.

APATHY -- this sin is that of indifference to doctrine and to the Word of God in general. It is

indifferences to the lost condition of unbelievers or to the carnal condition of other believers.

Characteristics of a Believer's Mental Attitude

The true character of a believer in Jesus Christ is determined by his mental attitude. Prov. 23:7, "As a man thinks in his heart, so is he". See also 1 Pet. 1:13; 4:1; Heb. 12:3; Col. 3:1,2; 1 Cor. 2:16; 2 Cor. 10:4,5.

A Christian's mental attitude is not always apparent in his actions, but God always knows perfectly what a person is thinking. Heb. 4:12,13; Prov. 21:2. The following are examples of mental attitude thinking.

Worldliness is a mental attitude. Worldliness is not the doing of something wrong; it is the thinking which takes place independently of God's viewpoint. The remedy to the problem of worldliness is not in turning over a new leaf. It is a change in thinking (repentance) rather than a change in activity. Divine viewpoint must replace human viewpoint before a change in character can be expected. One can have an outward life which appears good, yet be filled with mental attitude sins. Col. 3:2; James 4:4.

Toughness, strength, and determination are mental attitudes. One is not beaten until he gives up mentally.

True Christian inner peace is a mental attitude. It is the relaxed mental state which enables one to enjoy the Christian life regardless of people or outward circumstances. With a good mental attitude, the believer can be joyful, relaxed, and can even enjoy the battle.

Mental stability is the result of thinking from a proper frame of reference, that is, Biblical thinking. The Christian who has mental fear, who is a chronic worrier, who cannot think clearly under pressure, who blames others for his problems, who cannot make correct decisions -- that believer is unstable. His emotions interfere with his thinking. Since emotion always follows thinking, emotional instability will always follow from incorrect (HVP) thinking. But God's Plan of Grace leads to rock-solid mental and emotional stability.

Man's Ideas vs Divine Viewpoint

Thinking requires words - vocabulary. Divine thinking requires divine vocabulary. "Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." Under any kind of spiritual pressure, human vocabulary, or human thinking, is not adequate. Only God's words can give the ability to think correctly under pressure. The Christian's ability to think correctly is based on how much Bible teaching is resident (applied) in the soul of the believer.

The Christian is commanded to have a new mental attitude. Col. 3:1,2; 2 Cor. 10:4,5; 1 Cor. 2:16; Phil. 2:5.

The warfare between two viewpoints in the believer's soul must be fought from within, first by knowledge of doctrine, and then by the application of truth to the life. 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 John 1:9.

Every believer has a mind which is capable of looking at life from God's point of view. Rom. 1:18 ff. Mental attitude divine viewpoint is obtained only through Bible study accompanied by the controlling ministry of the Holy Spirit. The Christian who habitually studies the Word learns to concentrate and to think from God's point of view, and thus he becomes stabilized. The "mind of Christ" (the source of God's viewpoint) is made clear in the Bible.

The Christian can be "transformed by the renewing of the mind" through study, knowledge, and application of Bible truth. By this means his decisions and actions are most likely to be in agreement with Bible principle. And this is the only sure sign of Christian maturity and victorious Christian living.

The Human Conscience

The conscience is located in the mind and is the center for the operating standards of the human soul. Titus 1:15. The conscience convicts the Christian of evil or wrongdoing. John 8:9. The conscience establishes standards for both human and divine relationships. Acts 24:16.

The conscience functions on thinking; and the believer in fellowship has a conscience which

functions from resident (applied) divine viewpoint. Rom. 2:15; 9:1, as related to applied Bible teaching. The conscience establishes standards for serving God. 2 Tim. 1:3; Heb. 9:14. But false operating standards in the conscience produce legalism. 1 Cor. 8:7.

The more the believer uses applied Bible doctrine, the stronger his conscience becomes in using such things as the Law of Liberty and the superseding laws of love and sacrifice. 1 Cor. 10:24-29.

Conscience is the basis for enduring mistreatment and misunderstanding without defending oneself. 1 Pet. 2:19; 3:16. The conscience can be damaged or destroyed with false doctrine and with a callused soul. 1 Tim. 4:1,2.

The Mechanics of Replacing Human Viewpoint with Divine Viewpoint

The Christian life is a supernatural life and cannot be lived without the filling of the Holy Spirit and the daily function of applied Bible teaching. Rom. 8:2; 7:6; Gal. 5:25; Eph. 5:18. All changes must come from within, and the Holy Spirit must originate divine good by applying doctrine to the life.

We begin a change of viewpoint at the moment of salvation. At that time we changed our mental attitude toward the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 3:19. That was repentance and faith, and it resulted in our regeneration. John 3:16. At that moment many benefits were made available to us, blessings and promises from God which enable us to live in a manner which is both acceptable to the Lord and which also produces great happiness for us. We are given the ability to think those things which will bring honor to the Lord. Eph. 5:18; 4:23; Col. 3:2.

The choice of whether to make use of the divine operating assets is made by the believer every day. The power of our walk with the Lord depends on Bible teaching, the work of the Holy Spirit, and the believer's positive volition. Daily Bible teaching under the controlling ministry of the Holy Spirit builds up divine standards in the human soul and conscience. 1 Tim. 1:5,19; 3:9.

The Benefits of Having a Proper Mental Attitude

With the proper mental attitude, the Christian will have victory, peace, power, and mental stability. Phil. 2:5; 2 Tim. 1:7. The Christian can experience perfect inner peace, ever during times of difficulty and suffering. Phil. 4:7. Inner peace comes from what we think. Isa. 26:3. Divine viewpoint brings mental stability and eliminates discouragement, anxiety, instability, fearfulness, and double-mindedness. Stability of mind and character is a mental attitude of strength.

The believer with divine viewpoint has a gracious attitude toward others. He is a mature believer characterized by mental attitude love who is a channel of the Grace of God. Deut. 6:5; 11:13. A mental attitude from DVP produces confidences based on absolute values and standards. 2 Cor. 5:1,6,8.

Mental Attitude and the Believer's Ministry

The mature believer "thinks Grace", which is the "mind of Christ". Therefore, the Christian's life and personality are characterized by many of the qualities of the life of the Lord Jesus Christ. Rom. 8:29; Gal. 5:22 ff. In every one of these characteristics the Christian has one basic ingredient - correct thinking according to divine viewpoint. 1 Pet. 3:8

Therefore, the mature believer is gentle, compassionate, caring, and has a gracious attitude toward others. These are essential life qualities in any believer who is a good witness for Christ. With these qualities, and with the knowledge of the Word of God being acquired on the way to maturity, the believer cannot help but be an outstanding witness for Christ and a skilful practitioner in the use of his spiritual gifts.

Negative Volition

The Apostle Paul issued a stern warning to mature Christian believers living at Ephesus when he told them to beware of falling into a state of indifference to, or antagonism to, the Word of God. He stated that if they were to become to become negative to the Lord's teachings, their lives would very quickly become

indistinguishable from those of unbelievers in terms of fruitfulness and Christian character.

Ephesians 4:17-19, "This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity (emptiness) of their minds, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness."

The "darkness" referred to in these verses begins with a negative disposition toward the Word of God. This volitional decision not to follow the Scriptures leads immediately to a breakdown in the faith system of understanding divine viewpoint. There is a cessation in the spiritual growth process; and there is actually a total reversal in progress in the Christian life (backsliding, or reversion).

As a result of the lack of divine viewpoint in the soul, the negative person begins to entertain human standards, human criteria, human doctrine, human programs -- these things, plus the full gamut of Satanic doctrine, are substituted for the plan of God. The further result is subjectivity, unhappiness, and deep frustration in trying to live by techniques which do not work.

These conditions lead to a frantic search for happiness through details of life such as riches, friendships, possessions, human approbation, personal influence and power, and so forth. The believer on this treadmill is a slave to these details of life rather than being a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. While the believer thus engaged is still "in Christ" positionally, he is actually no better off than an unbeliever as far as this life is concerned. In fact, he is destined to be far unhappier than the unbeliever, as will be shown in the following paragraphs.

The time, energy, and emotional commitments to this person's search for happiness lead to further isolation from the teachings of the Word of God. He is spending maximum effort to find happiness through other means. Thus, the very method for reversing the downward trend is ignored.

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During this process, neuroses and psychoses are being developed, aggravated by the self-induced misery which accompanies chronic and unmitigated sins of the mind such as pride, jealousy, envy, vindictiveness, worry, fear, mental adultery, implacability, and the like, from which there is no relief outside of the plan of God.

Because of these sin patterns, divine discipline is compounded daily. This believer has a horrible life composed of his own failures, doubled and re-

doubled chastisement, his self-induced unhappiness, and the fact that he has no defense against the attacks of Satan and his demons. His "righteousness" (-r) has replaced the righteousness (+R) of God. This whole miserable situation is avoidable, as you will see with further study.

Ephesians Lesson 10 Quiz

Instructions

The following questions relate to your study of this lesson.

To answer a question, type your response in the space provided after the word "Answer:". A question may be True/False, multiple choice, fill in the blank, or short answer type.

The last question requires you to write one or two paragraphs in "essay" form. Use the space provided; it will expand to accommodate your response.

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Questions on Ephesians Lesson 10

1. How does Jesus Christ dwell in our hearts?

Answer:

2. What is the focus of Paul's prayer in Eph. 3:17 and the following verses?

Answer:

3. The spiritual IQ of a believer is based on the _____ and the _____ of the applied knowledge in the soul.

Answer:

4. A Christian can be "filled" with wisdom in the heart by being faithful in doing good works.

[True/False]

5. Prayer will not produce edification. [True/False]

Answer:

6. What is the greatest "occupational hazard" faced by Christians?

Answer:

7. The true character of a Christian is determined by _____.

Answer:

8. Mental stability is the result of Biblical thinking. [True / False]

Answer:

9. What is sinful pride?

Answer:

10. What is "apathy" as it relates to the Christian life?

Answer:

11. Mental stability is the result of _____.

Answer:

12. What is the mistake made by Christians who "walk as other Gentiles walk?"

Answer:

13. The answer to negative volition is _____.

Answer:

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14. Essay Question: Write two or three paragraphs describing the advice you would give to a new believer about how to grow in grace and how to avoid walking in darkness.

End of Quiz