

In Christ: Grave Clothes or Grace Clothes?
(Ephesians 4:17-32)

We are called to be living demonstrations of our new reality in Christ – Eph 4:1, 17-24

- The focus/subject of such living is Christ Himself – Eph 4:20-21

- Who is your “teacher”? _____ - Lk 6:40

...We must listen to and learn from Christ – Matt 11:29

We must learn to “walk” in our newly created selves - Eph 4:24; Col 3:9-10

- We are no longer what we once were – Eph 4:17-20

- We have been re-created in the likeness of God – Eph 4:24

...We must learn to co-operate with His Life in us – Col 3:3-4

We are to put off the old expressions of a self-focused life – Eph 4:22

- All that is inconsistent/out of step with the Life of Jesus Christ in us – Eph 4:25,28,31

- We are to clean out the closets of all that doesn't suit Christ – II Cor 7:1

...Why wear the grave clothes of a dead man? – Jo 11:44

We are to put on the new expressions of a Christ-focused Life – Eph 4:24

- All that is compatible/in step with the Life of Jesus Christ in us – Eph 4:25, 28,32

- We are to humbly wear the gifts of Christ freely given to us – Col 3:17

...Why not wear the grace clothes of those alive in Christ? – Eph 2:5