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# **OLD MAN SINS**

In this lesson we will study six Old Man Sins listed in (Eph.4:31).

(Eph.4:31) "Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slande be put away (airo) (a.p.impv.3ps) [meaning to lift up and put away; to remove] from you, along with all malice."

These six sins are listed under the command "to put away" from the believer's life. We will learn that these six sins are part of Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus (OMCD) (worldly thinking) manner of living the Christian way of life.

# This lesson will study four aspects of how to deal with Old Man Sins that grieve the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Notice that Paul used the verb PUT AWAY (airo/aorist .passive imperative.3ps) to show that it is each believer's responsibility to do this.

1. The concept of putting away OMCD sins can be compared to Proverbs 6:16-19 - "There are six things which the Lord hates. Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him."

Notice how the Hebrew writer, Solomon, characterized these deadly sins in the Old Testament (eyes, tongue, hands, heart, feet, false witness, and one who spreads lies).

In a similar way, Paul characterized the six sins of Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus in (Eph.4:17-32) and (Col.3:5-17).

(Eph.4:22) "That, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside (apotithemi/ a.m.infin) the old man, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit"

Note the infinitive (lay aside) is 1 of 3 infinitives. The other two are renewed in 4:23 and put on in 4:24. All three are connected to the verb, "taught" (didasko), in 4:21. Note the position of verb renewed (4:23).

Notice the two things that are exchanged by renewed (vs. 22 to 24). You must put off (OMCD) (17-19 and 22) before putting on (NMDV) (vs.15-16; 20-21, and 23-24).

## 2. We are first introduced to the old man in Rom.6:6:

"Knowing this, that our old man (palaios anthropos) was crucified with Him (Gal.2:20), in order that our body of sin (Rom.5:12-21) might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin (old sin-nature) (Rom.7:14-24, 25).

The Gospel of Grace Salvation resolves the bondage issue of the unsaved old man, now crucified with Christ resulting in Grace Regeneration (1 Pet.1:23; Titus 3:5-7) and a New Creation of the New Man in Christ. (2 Cor. 5:17) (Positional Truth)

(Gal.1:13) "For you have heard of **my former manner of life** (ten anastrophe) [lifestyle in Judaism], how I used to persecute the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it."

(Eph.4:22) "That, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old man (palaios anthropos), which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit."

- **After salvation**, the believer struggles between their old sin-nature and the indwelling Holy Spirit (Gal.5:16-17; 1 Cor.3:1-3)
  - o Carnality verses Spirituality (1 Pet.1:14; 1 John 1:9)
- After salvation, the believer struggles between faith and sight (2 Cor.5:7; 2 Tim.3:16-17).
- After salvation, the believer struggles between OMCD and NMDV (Eph.4:17-32; Col3:5-11).
- 3. The new man is commanded to stop being conformed to world (OMCD thinking) and to be transformed by the renewing of the mind to the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

(Rom.12:2) "And do not be conformed to the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

(Eph.4:20-24) is one Greek sentence. Pay attention to **learn** in vs.20 and **taught** in vs.21 and the change in vs. 22-24.

This brings us to the importance of consistent inhale and exhale of the taught word of God in CWL.

(2 Tim.3:16-17) The Faith Cycle (John 14:26).

4. Paul tells the Church age believer to lay aside his his former ways of life (OMCD) by the renewing of his mind and to put on (NMDV) thinking and behavior (Eph.4:22-24; Rom.12:2).

Paul outlined his argument in (Eph.4:17-32).

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4:17-19 (one Greek sentence) Walk no longer as Gentile (unsaved of the world/ former life) 4:20-24 (one Greek sentence) Lay aside former manner of life (OMCD)
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**4:25-32** (11 imperatives) "Therefore (4:22-24) (NMDV)" - "Put away from you (6 deadly sins of OMCD (4:31) Note the 10<sup>th</sup> imperatives / commands

### The Six old man sins:

## "Put away from you

- Bitterness (pikria)
- Wrath (thumos)
- Anger (orge)
- Clamor (krauge)
- Slander (blasphemia)
- All Malice (kakia)

which GRIEVE THE INDWELLING HOLY SPIRIT".