

BECOMING A PEOPLE OF GRACE: AN EXPOSITION OF EPHESIANS

STEPS THAT LEAD TO FREEDOM

EPHESIANS 4:25–32



The Heart of the Matter

Sometimes we sin in ignorance — we didn't know it was wrong at the time — and when we discover the error of our ways, we feel terrible and quickly seek God's forgiveness. More often, though, we sin knowing full well the significance of our actions. But because we have done it for so long, we have no plans to stop, even though it hurts us and those we love. Old habits are so hard to break, and often we have no desire to break them either. However, God's saving grace provides us freedom, and in the power of His indwelling Spirit, we can break those old habits and devote ourselves to Him.



Discovering the Way

1. The Result of a Renewed Mind

With a renewed mind, we also receive freedom, that we might now have the opportunity to pursue a life in God.

2. Living Free (Ephesians 4:25–32)

Paul listed five particular areas of sin that those in the new self must avoid: *lying, uncontrolled anger, stealing, unwholesome speech, and an absence of forgiveness.*

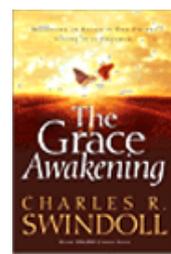


Starting Your Journey

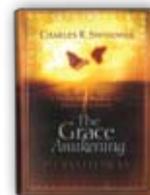
The freedom that comes to us through God's grace allows us to throw off the sin that so easily entangles us.



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