

## How Can I Become A Christian?

1. Admit that God is not first in your life and ask Him to forgive your sins. (*1 John 1:9*)
2. Believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins and that He rose again on Easter and is alive today. (*Romans 10:9*)
3. Accept God's free gift of salvation. Don't try to earn it. (*Ephesians 2:8,9*)
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come into your life and be the director (Lord) of your life. (*John 1:12-13*)

### **What to pray:**

Dear Lord Jesus,  
I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. Please come into my life and make me a new person. From now on I want You to be the director of my life. Amen.

## How Can I Become A Member of Kenmore Community Church?

1. Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior.
2. Be baptized by immersion if you have not been already.
3. Attend the class "Discovering Church Membership" which is offered periodically throughout the year.
4. Indicate your interest in joining the church on the Communication Card or by calling the church office at 425-486-7487.

## LIVE IN PURITY Ephesians 4:17-32

**Main Thought:** As believers in Christ we are called to live in purity by taking off the old nature and putting on the new self according to Ephesians 4:17-32.

1. TAKE OFF WORTHLESS THINKING AND PUT ON A RENEWED MIND. (vv 17-24)
2. TAKE OFF LYING AND PUT ON TRUTHFULNESS. (v 25)
3. TAKE OFF SINFUL ANGER AND PUT ON RECONCILIATION. (v 26-27)
4. TAKE OFF STEALING AND PUT ON HONESTY AND HARD WORK. (v 28)
5. TAKE OFF HARMFUL SPEECH AND PUT ON HELPFUL SPEECH. (v 29)
6. TAKE OFF GRIEVING THE SPIRIT AND PUT ON THE FULLNESS OF THE SPIRIT. (vv 30-33)

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS**

1. What insight from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening, or troubling? Explain.

2. Read Ephesians 4:17-24.

3. In verses 17-24, one of the things Paul describes are the differences in the thinking of a Christian versus a non-Christian. What are the differences and what accounts for them? (See Eph. 2:1-10; Romans 1:18-32)

4. Can you think of some examples of futile thinking and darkened understanding that is put forth as wisdom in our society today by unbelievers?

5. Paul tells us in verse 22-24 to take off the old self and put on the new self. What is the old self? What is the new self? How does God help us in this process? (See 2 Cor. 3:18) Do we have any responsibility in this process?

6. What are we to take off and put on according to verse 25?

7. Why do we find it difficult to tell the truth sometimes?

8. What are we to take off and put on according to verses 26-27?

9. Is anger a sin? If not, when is it not a sin? When we get angry, what should we do about it? Why is it a bad idea to hang onto your anger?

10. What are we to take off and put on according to verse 28?

11. What are some ways in which people steal today? What is one reason we are encouraged to work hard according to these verses?

12. What are we to take off and put on according to verse 29?

13. What are some examples of unwholesome talk? What are some examples of helpful speech that builds someone up?

14. What are we to take off and put on according to verses 30-32?

15. What's involved in forgiveness? Why should we forgive others who wrong us? Why is forgiveness difficult at times?

16. What aspects of your old nature do you have difficulty taking off? Make these items part of your prayer time as a group.