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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Paul refers to what the Ephesians were first taught (Ephesians 4:22-24). What was your first exposure to Biblical teaching? Does that influence still shape your thinking today? If so, how?
2. What issues can you identify in our culture that represent “deceitful desires”?
3. We often know the outcome of sin intellectually but still choose the wrong path, practically. What do you think makes sin alluring or tempting enough to override our knowledge of sin’s outcome?
4. What are some of the small, but intentional, decisions you can make every morning to put on the “new self” Paul describes?
5. It has been said that “right thinking leads to right living.” Do you agree with that statement? Why or why not?
6. Would you describe yourself as an extrovert or an introvert? Is it fair to say that extroverts embrace conflict easier than introverts? Why do you agree or disagree?
7. Give examples of unhealthy, unproductive ways to deal with conflict other than anger (i.e. gossip, manipulation, backbiting, etc.). Refer to Ephesians 4:28-32.
8. Paul connects the health of the whole community to how we handle our disagreements. What are some practical ways we can start investing our efforts into healthy confrontation and thus improve our sense of community?