

Renewing Our Faith
Eph 4:17-24
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Thesis: I want to show the importance of renewing our Faith/

- Intro:
1. At times we need to be revived (Song – Revive us again).
 2. We sometimes forget things; forget promise of God, etc.
 3. Sometimes we simply need to be reminded.

I. Create a new heart in you.

A. Creating a new heart includes many things. (**Ps 51:10**)

1. Repentance of sins, changing things in your life you have realized are not right.
2. Desiring to do better in general, being a better Christian example-“*renew a steadfast spirit*”.

B. Walking in newness (**Rom 6:4**)

1. When we walk in newness of life, we walk different from how we used to walk.
2. We see the error of our ways and strive to change (**Eph 4:17-19**)

II. Renewing our patience in the plan of God.

A. We ought to “wait on the Lord”.

1. God’s plan is God’s plan-it’s not our plan.
2. God has everything under His control. We must realize that in this life what we must remember is that God has a plan and we must be patient (**Isa 40:31**).

B. We must not lose heart.

1. At times we may not understand what is going on in this world.
2. Who can understand these things but God!?
3. Even though we grow older and the world grows more and more evil, if we focus on God we will grow in faith and knowledge. We will be refreshed by His Word, a refreshment the world cannot provide (**2 Cor 4:16, Eph 4:22-24**).

III. Renew (Remind yourself) and advance your knowledge of God and His Word

A. Renewing (or reminding) ourselves of God and the Truth of His Word
(**Rom 12:2, Ps 40:3**)

1. We cannot not teach others if we ourselves need reminding of the Truth of God’s Word.
2. Thus, we must rededicate ourselves to be better students of God’s Word

B. “Renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him” (**Col 3:10**)

1. Being renewed we learn more about God than we had before.
2. There is always something more to learn, only those who are arrogant would think they have nothing more to learn from God’s Word.

- Conc:
1. **Eph 4:20** – if we want to learn more about Christ than we must –at times- make a renewed effort.
 2. Are you giving enough effort, do you need to be renewed in faith?
 3. Full Invitation