Series Title: "The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians" "<u>The Practice of Believers-Chapter 4</u>" Part 1

"Paul is Calling on Believer's to Walk the Talk"

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A. Review

- We have finished with chapters 1 through 3 that covers the "position of believers."
- Today, we will begin chapter 4.
- B. The title of today's message is: "Paul is Calling on Believers to Walk the Talk."

• Ephesians 4:1-13

- In the beginning of chapter 4, Paul is urging us to live a lifestyle that is worthy of our calling.
- Let's review a little our great calling from the first three chapters:
 - > Ephesians 1:3-14
 - > Ephesians 2:1-10
 - > Ephesians 3:20-21
- Therefore, Paul says to us: "live a lifestyle that is worthy of your calling."
 - ✤ Give a natural example:
- What is God not saying and what is he saying? How do we do that?

- 1. What is God <u>NOT</u> saying to us?
- 2. What <u>IS</u> God saying to us?
- 3. <u>*How*</u> do we live a lifestyle worthy of our calling?

• Ephesians 4:2-13

Ephesians 3:6 (6to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel,)

Galatians 3:22-29 (22But the Scripture has shut up everyone under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. 23But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed. 24Therefore the Law has become our tutor *to lead us* to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith. 25But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. 26For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.) [Lit *seed*]

C. Closure