



Discussion Questions

4:17–5:2

Truth is an important theme in this section (4:21, 25). How do you define *truth*?

How does Paul present the idea of truth and identity (former self versus true righteousness, etc.) in this passage? What does he hold to be our “true” identity?

Identity is a very important idea in our culture. Spend some time contrasting what is generally meant by identity and how Paul defines our identity.

Do you think that someone’s identity is determined by their desires, attractions, etc.?

Do you think the list of imperatives (“Let us...”) at the end of chapter 4 (25–32) is exhaustive, or is Paul illustrating a greater truth behind the decisions to do these things?

Is there one thing in this passage that you struggle with in your spiritual walk? What steps can you take to be more true to what Paul commands?