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Ephesians 4:25-32

Ephesians 4 begins with putting our verbal house in order. Sin can start with a "little white lie." Tempers can escalate and turn into sin by giving the devil a foothold. Core feelings such as rage or bitterness soon propel people into a life they may not recognize. It then goes deeper into elements at the center of sin.

Adulthood can easily descend into immaturity. Actions may speak louder than words, but as Christians, our words matter. Words and actions are tied together here; we must take responsibility of our words and actions. Verse 31 instructs, "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice." This is our responsibility as the Holy Spirit instructs, guides, and enables us.

Kindness and compassion are the way of a Christian. Forgiveness is a necessity. It begins with Jesus and ends with us. We forgive because we are forgiven.

The passage is powerful, but the ending summarizes it all. Kindness, compassion, and forgiveness are the godly traits that we imitate after Jesus.

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