

Session Seven (4:17-5:2):

Dead Man (Carry Me) by Jars of Clay:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRVd9v1z0CM>

January 1, I've got a lot of things on my mind
I'm looking at my body through a new spy satellite
Try to lift a finger, but I don't think I can make the call
So tell me if I move, 'cause I don't feel anything at all

So Carry Me,
I'm just a dead man
Lying on the carpet
Can't find a heartbeat
Make me breathe,
I want to be a new man
Tired of the old one
Out with the old plan

Don't Live as if Christ Hasn't United You (4:17-19):

1. What were the Gentiles like before Christ united them with himself?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
2. Rather "If Jew and Gentile have been united with each other and with God in Christ, if Holy Baptism gave them a new identity which is no longer rooted in their fleshly identity, what does this mean for their lives?"
 - a.

Christ has Made you New (4:20-24):

1. How has Christ made us new? See 4:23 (Cf. 2 Cor. 5:27).
 - a.
2. What is the way they had learned Christ? See 4:20-24
 - a. The head:
 - i.
 - b. The hand:
 - i.
3. Is the mind separate from the body? See 4:23-24.
 - a.
 - b.

Live in the New Life Christ has Given (4:25-32):

1. What does it mean to be angry and not sin? See 4:26 and Psalm 4:4.
 - a.
2. What does it mean to not give any opportunity to the devil? See. 4:27.
 - a.
3. What does it mean to grieve the Holy Spirit? See 4:30-31 and 1:13.
 - a.
4. What would our new life in Christ be without the forgiveness of sins? See 4:32.
 - a.

Paul's Conclusion (5:1-2):

1. We should imitate God, but how? See 5:1.
 - a.

Take Home:

1. I urge you to consider your baptism this week. Recall how God has welcomed you into his family through baptism – not because of anything you earned.
2. I urge you to pray for wisdom in how to live as a baptized Christian.

Closing Prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father, we praise you for your bountiful gifts. Thank you for all that Christ has done to unite us in his body. Thank you especially for the gift of baptism, which has welcomed us into your family. We ask that you would grant us wisdom regarding how you would have us live – as those brought into your family. Help us to leave our old Adams behind. In Jesus' name, amen.