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Moving Into the Newness of Life – Part 1

Romans 6:4 - Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

God has a common path for the life of every believer to follow and this scripture reveals that it is God's will that we move forward in the direction of newness of life.

Every path has a beginning and takes you to a desired destination. Today we want to begin to look at the path that leads to newness of life.

1. To move from the old to the new there must be **DESIRE**
 - a. Philippians 3:13-14 Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal ...
 - b. 1 Timothy 6:12 – Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life to which you were also called
 - c. Mark 10:46-52 – Blind Bartimaeus reveals a desire that will move you from the old to the new
2. Moving to the new means **LEAVING** the old way of **THINKING**
 - a. Ephesians 4:23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind
 - b. Isaiah 55:7-12 God's thoughts are not our thoughts and God's ways are not our ways.
3. **RECEIVE** the Word of God with **MEEKNESS**
 - a. James 1:21:
 - b. 1 Peter 2:2
 - c. 1 Thessalonians 2:13

Conclusion:

It is God's will that we live in and experience the abundant life Jesus purchased for us. If we will follow the path that God has established in His word, we can be assured of reaching the destination of newness of life which God intends us to have.

Discussion Questions:

1. In what areas of my life do I want to experience better?
2. How much do I really want to experience better?
3. In what areas of my life do I need to make adjustments to obtain better?