

Ephesians 4:17~ This, therefore, I say and bear witness to in the Lord, that you no longer go on walking just as the nations also walk in the unprofitableness of their minds.

- 1• **Paul now counsels these anointed Christians to no longer go on walking as the nations of the earth walk in the unprofitableness of their minds. When we look at the way people of the world act, do they work in harmony as a body does, in love for one another? Certainly not! This way then, is what Paul counsels them, to leave far behind them.**

[Question] How now does Paul counsel them not to act, and why?

- 2• **For the time that has passed by is sufficient for you to have worked out the will of the **nations**, when you proceeded in deeds of loose conduct, lusts, excesses with wine, revelries, drinking matches, and illegal idolatries. (**1 Peter 4:3**)**

[Question] What days of the past, should have been sufficient for anointed Christians?

[Question] What things did they then walk in, that are unprofitable?

- 3• **Because, although they knew God, they did not glorify him as God nor did they thank him, but they became empty-headed in their reasonings, and their unintelligent heart became darkened. (**Romans 1:21**)**

[Question] What do those people of the world refuse to do respecting God?

[Question] What then, becomes of their powers of reason, and their hearts?

- 4• **Watch out for yourself, for fear you may be entrapped after them, after they have been annihilated from before you, and for fear you may inquire respecting their gods, saying; How was it these **nations** used to serve their gods? And I, yes, I, will do the same way. (**Deuteronomy 12:30**)**

[Question] What should anointed Christians be wary of, about all forms of false worship?

- 5• **I will rise and journey to my father and say to him; Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. (**Luke****

15:18)

[Question] What did the prodigal son say, when returning to his father, indicating repentance on his part?

- 6· **In which you at one time walked according to the system of things of this world, according to the ruler of the authority of the air, the spirit that now operates in the sons of disobedience. (Ephesians 2:2)**

[Question] What spirit guided anointed Christians, before their becoming anointed ones?

- 7· **Not in covetous sexual appetite, such as also those nations have, which do not know God. (1 Thessalonians 4:5)**

[Question] What way of the nations should anointed Christians not emulate?