Walk in Submission

Before Christ, man walks in blindness (v 18)

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Sermon series: Summer Walk – a study on <u>Ephesians 4</u>
Text: Ephesians 4:15-24
I. THE BALANCE - Verse 15
Jesus condemned the deceivers but was gracious to the deceived. He attacked the Pharisees and Sadducees but had pity on their victims.
II. THE BIOLOGY - Verse 16
Biology proves that an out of balance connection between the head and the body = problems in the body!
III. THE BEFORE - Verses 17-19
1. Our connection brings wisdom. 1. Cor. 1:24 "But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God."
Before Christ, man's connection brings darkness (v 18)
2. Our connection lights our path. Pro 4:18 "But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."
defore Christ, man greedily harms themselves and one another. (v 19)
V. THE BETTER – Verses 20-24
Mark 9:42-47 "And whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone
vere hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea. And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to
enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:Where their
vorm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life
han having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the
re is not quenched. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with
one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:"
So, if you want to know the Lord Jesus Christ, you must live with him. First he must himself speak to you, and afterwards
ou must abide in him. He must be the choice Companion of your morning hours, he must be with you throughout the
day, and with him you must also close the night; and as often as you may wake during the night, you must say, 'When
wake, I am still with thee.' " (Spurgeon)
1. In your interactions with other believers are you balanced in truth and love, or would you be considered harsh?
2. Are you participating in cooperation with the head, or are you sending signals back to the head that are out of balance?
3. Are you walking like the new creation who has removed the lifestyle of the "before" man and replaced it

with the "better" man?

3. Our connection gives us love. Romans 5:5 "And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is