

**Life in a Polarized World (Algorithms)**  
**Ephesians 4:1-16 / April 26, 2026**  
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- **The World We're Living In**
  - We are being shaped every day whether we realize it or not
  - Algorithms, agendas, and biases are constantly forming how we think, feel, and respond.
  - The enemy loves to take something meant to inform us...and use it to divide us
  
- **Jesus' Vision vs. The World's Reality (John 17)**
  - John 17:20-21 – Jesus prayed for unity among His followers
  - Not uniformity, but unity.
  - Our world is becoming more divided, Jesus' Church is meant to become more unified
  
- **A Call to a Different Way of Living (Ephesians 4)**
  - “Live a life worthy of the calling...” (v.1) – Intentional, not passive
  - What does that look like? (v.2)
  - Unity doesn't just happen, you have to fight for it (v.3)
  
- **The Danger We Have to Watch For**
  - Dehumanize people we disagree with
    - You can be deeply convicted and still deeply loving. Conviction that turns to hatred of people...something is wrong.
  - Valuing being right over being Christlike
  
- **What Does it Look Like to Live This Out?**
  - Honor people you disagree with
  - Pursue unity without demanding uniformity (Ephesians 4-4-6)
  - Pursue maturity over reaction
  
- **A Unified Church in a Divided World (Ephesians 4:15-16, John 17:21-23)**
  - The Church...
    - Stands out
    - Draws people in
    - Reflects Jesus clearly
  
- **Fight for the Right Things**
  - We aren't here to win arguments. We are here to win people to Jesus (John 17:23)