Depraved Mind

"futility of mind"

- Ephesians 2:1-3 The mind is naturally spiritually dead
- Romans 8:5-8 The mind set on the flesh produces death
- Ecclesiastes 1:12-18, 2:12-17 The mind of human intellect is futile

The cause of a depraved mind is spiritual blindness

"being darkened in understanding"

• 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 — Satan blinds unbelievers understanding and the only hope is the light of the Gospel

Exclusion

"excluded from the life of God"

• Ephesians 2:12

Two fold cause of exclusion

 Ignorance – "because of ignorance that is in them" Romans 10:1-4
John 4:9-11

Hard heart – "the hardness of their heart"

Proverbs 28:14 – Lack of fear of God

Acts 7:51 – Resisting the Holy Spirit

Exodus 32:9,10 – Impatience with God

John 12:37-40 – Lack of belief

Callousness

"having become callous"

• 2 Peter 2:10-19 – The danger of callousness is that if left unchecked will lead to total corruption and enslavement to sin

The cause of callousness is unbridled lust

"given themselves over to sensuality"

• Romans 6:12-13 – They have laid their life before the alter of sin

Rampant impurity

"practice every kind of impurity"

Romans 1:28-32 – They rejoice in and encourage others to sin

The cause of rampant impurity is greed

"with greed"

• James 1:13-15 – we sin because we want to