

The Book of Ephesians

LESSON SIX

Ephesians 5

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1 Look in His Word

Feel free to underline, circle or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

Ephesians 5:1-7

¹Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children

²and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

⁴Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.

⁵For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a man is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient.

⁷Therefore do not be partners with them.

2 List the Facts

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most obvious, outstanding facts. Be literal as you answer.

Example:

(5:1) Be imitators of God as dearly beloved children.

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3 Learn from the Lessons

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

Example:

(5:1) As His children, we should bear the Father's resemblance.

4 Listen to His Voice

What does this passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from step 3 in the form of a question. Be personal as you answer.

Example:

(5:1) How closely do I resemble my Father?

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Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light

⁹(for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth)

¹⁰and find out what pleases the Lord.

¹¹Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.

¹²For it is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret.

¹³But everything exposed by the light becomes visible,

¹⁴for it is light that makes everything visible.

This is why it is said:

“Wake up, O sleeper,

rise from the dead,

and Christ will shine on you.”

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Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise,

¹⁶making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.

¹⁸Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.

¹⁹Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord,

²⁰always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Listen to His Voice

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Ephesians 5:21-27

²¹Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

²²Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord.

²³For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her

²⁶to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,

²⁷and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

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Ephesians 5:28-33

²⁸In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

²⁹After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church—

³⁰for we are members of his body.

³¹“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

³²This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

³³However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

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5 Live in Response

How will you respond? Pinpoint what God is saying to your from this passage. Write down today's date and what you will do now about what He has said.

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