

A Life of Faith- Every Day
Ephesians 5:1-21
Walking in Love & Purity

“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

Ephesians 5:1-2

Life Application: Fill your life with the love and grace of Jesus Christ and forsake a life of sin.

“I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.”

Psalm 81:10

Point: Do not fill your life with the sexual indulgences of the world.

Why abstain from sexual immorality?

1. We were created by God, we belong to Christ and are filled with the Holy Spirit. Sexual immorality pollutes the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 6:18-19).
2. Our call to be holy (Lev. 19:2 and Matt. 5:48) is incongruent with sexual immorality.
3. There is judgment for those who break this command (Ephesians 5:6).

Point: Do not fill your life with the pleasures of darkness.

Why walk in the Light?

1. When anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible...i.e. we are not hiding the ugliness of sin.
2. Anything that becomes visible is light. Light actually transforms what it illuminates into light.

What are the pleasures of darkness?

1. Sexual immorality and impurity (5:3)
2. Bad/foolish/crude talk (5:4)
3. Drunkenness (5:18)
4. A lack of true worship (5:19-21)

Personal Application...

In order to walk in the abundant love and grace of Jesus Christ, we are to stop trying to fill our lives with worldly pleasures.

Questions...

What motivates your sexual sin? What motivates you to walk in the darkness? What are you trying to fill your life with that God desires to fill with His love and grace?

Sermon by Pastor Dave Williams on Sunday, April 26th, 2015
Next week: Ephesians 5:22-6:4 Godly Families