

EPH 5:15-21

START - WALKING WISELY -

"SEE THEN" - THEREFORE :
"BECAUSE"

⑧ - YOU HAVE BEEN RAISED FROM THE
DEAD - AND - LIVING IN THE LIGHT -
"AND"

① - YOU HAVE BEEN "CHALLENGED" TO
"BE IMITATORS" OF YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER -
"AND"

② YOU ARE BELOVED OF THE FATHER
GOD - "LIVING" IN THE BENEFITS OF
HIS "LOVE" + GRACE - AS CHILDREN
OF GOD -
WALK IN THIS REALITY -

(IN 4:1-5 - 5:14) THE COMMAND GOES
OUT = "WALK IN" HUMILITY -
UNITY - SEPARATION - LOVE - LIGHT
+

CHALLENGED TO :

"WALK AS THE PEOPLE" WE ARE - (OR) -
"CLAIM TO BE"

① WE ARE LOVED -

② WE ARE LIGHT -

③ WE ARE SEPARATED -
"SO"

◀ WALK CIRCUMSPECTLY -

THE WORD WALK "REFERS" TO OUR
"CONDUCT" "WHOLE" "BEHAVIOUR" "DEMEANOR"

"THAT IS"

THE "WHOLE" OF OUR LIFE AMONGST
OTHER PEOPLE

"WHICH IS"

OUR PERSONAL CONDUCT + BEHAVIOUR
+
ITS "EFFECT" ON OTHERS -

"BUT"

- HOW ARE WE TO DO THIS? -

THAT IS

WALK IN THIS WORLD AS JESUS WALKED
- AS JESUS IS - SO ARE WE -
IN THIS WORLD -

THIS IS WHAT WE ARE CALLED TO DO -

"WELL" - HERE -

PAUL SAYS:

- I] BE WISE - (15-17)
- II] BE SPIRIT FILLED - (18)
- III] BE SUBMISSIVE - (21)

THIS WILL NOT MAKE US PERFECT -

"BUT"

CERTAINLY - ^{TO} BE THE RIGHT CHARACTER

TO

(WALK IN THE STEPS OF JESUS) -

"YOU SEE;"

[WE ARE ALREADY MADE PERFECT -
IN CHRIST - (COL 2:9-10)]

"SO"

PAUL SAYS: PRAY AND DESIRE HIS
WILL IN ALL KNOWLEDGE WISDOM -
& SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING -
(COL 1:9) & (COL 1:10) "WALK WORTHY"

"SO"

HOW DO WE DO IT -

I BE WISE - (15-17)

"SO" WE ASK:

① WHAT IS WISDOM -

"MOST DEFINE IT" - "AS" -

KNOWLEDGE - ABILITY - INTELLIGENCE

"OR"

EVEN "GENIUS" - "BUT" YOU

CAN HAVE ALL THESE THINGS - AND

"STILL NOT HAVE WISDOM"

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"IF NOT"
INTELLENCE -- KNOWLEDGE -- ABILITY --
"THEN"

WHAT DOES PAUL MEAN -- BE WISE?

① THIS WISDOM --
IS THE "UNDERSTANDING"
OF "HOW TO USE YOUR ABILITY
INTELLENCE -- KNOWLEDGE
-- ~~INTELLENCE~~ UNDERSTANDING)

THAT IS:

BRINGING THESE ELEMENTS INTO
YOUR "ORDINARY DAILY LIFE"

PAUL SAYS -- WE ARE CALLED
TO THIS -- "FOR"

"WE HAVE BECOME LIGHTS" -- CHRIST'S
LIGHTS -- "WE" POSSESS THE
ABILITY (WISDOM) -- "TO BE TRUE"
"REPRESENTATIVES"

FOR CHRIST -- "WE"
POSSESS CHRIST -- "SO" --
"BE WISE"

MANIFEST HIM -- (WISDOM)

③ THIS WALK - ①⑦

IN VS ④② "CIRCUMSPECTLY"

MEANS = CAREFULLY - PRECISELY -
EXACTLY - (IN WISDOM)

- "NOT UNWISE" - (SENSELESS)

"BUT"

GOVERNED BY "THE WORD OF GOD"
AND "THE SPIRIT OF GOD" -
(THIS IS NOTED IN VERSE 18)

- (BE NOT DRUNK - - UNWISE) -
BUT

BE FILLED WITH HOLY SPIRIT - -

- - - WISE - - FULL OF WISDOM
= = =

- WALK IN WISDOM -

①⑤ AS WISE "BUT" "NOT UNWISE" ②⑦

④ WHO ARE THE UNWISE -

WHEN CHRISTIANS SIN - AND FALL
INTO SATAN'S TRAPS - "THEY DO THIS"
"BECAUSE"

THEY LIVE AS - UNWISE - AND NOT
AS "WISE"

① THEY REVERT BACK TO ~~BEHAVIOR~~ —
FOLLOWING THE OLD NATURE — IS
UNWISE — AND IS FOOLISHNESS —

(TIMOTY 3:3) "FOR WE WERE ONCE
FOOLISH OURSELVES — "ENSLAVED"
TO LUST & PLEASURE — "ENVY"
— "HATING ONE ANOTHER"

— BUT —
— "THIS WISDOM" — (V. 15) "GOD'S WISDOM"
(IS AVAILABLE TO SEPARATE US) —
— FROM BEING UNWISE;

② TRAITS OF THE UNWISE:

① THEY ARE GOVERNED BY FEELINGS —

GOVERNED BY FEELINGS — &
THEY DO NOT WANT TO ^{USE} (UNDERSTANDING)
— OF "MIND" — "BRAIN"

"EVERYTHING"
IS GOVERNED BY FEELINGS —
INSTEAD OF "REASON"

"EVEN IN RELIGION"
"THEY WANT" — (HAPPINESS) &
(ENJOYMENT) —

THEY WANT TO HAVE A GOOD
TIME ~ & - GET EXCITED -

BY THE WAY ~
NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT -
"BUT"

THE LORD & HIS WORSHIP &
HIS WORD ~ SHOULD BE THE -
(MOTIVATION FOR WORSHIP)
(NOT TO FEEL GOOD)

⑥ THEY ARE MOTIVATED BY DESIRE -

"I MUST HAVE ~ WHAT I LIKE" -
"IF"

IT "APPEALS" TO ME ~ (THAT'S
WHAT I AM HAPPY WITH) ~ ✓
~ I MUST HAVE IT !!!

→ REASON DOES NOT ENTER IN -
"NOTHING BUT DESIRE" ~ "MATTERS"

AN IDEA WILL COME TO THEM ~ &
(THEY WILL ACT ON IMPULSE)

- GOVERNED BY IMPULSES (UNWISE)

I] BE WISE - (15-17)

II] BE SPIRIT-FILLED - (18-20)

— ^{LIKE} THIS MAY SEEM ~~TO BE~~ A CONTRADICTION —
"BUT!"

WORSHIP IS EXCITING &
FULFILLING — WHEN —

"HOLY SPIRIT LEAD"

[NOT AN OPPOSITION — BUT A — MANDATE]
"OPTION" NOTE:

Ⓐ THE COMMAND - "BE FILLED"
"INTOXICATED"

① NOT DRUNK WITH WINE - 18

~~OPTION~~

— TO DRINK MORE & MORE — UNTIL

— YOU BECOME DRUNK —

(THIS IS A DELIBERATE CHOICE)

+

— WHEN DRUNK — YOUR —
BEHAVIOR CHANGES —
"YOU"

TURN INTO ANOTHER KIND OF
PERSON — OR — "YOUR PERSONALITY"
IS — "TEMPORARILY CHANGED"

(BY THE WINE)

② BE SPIRIT FILLED - (18)

(IS ALSO A "DELIBERATE CHOICE")

"BUT"

"DIFFERENT" - IT DEPENDS UPON
OUR COOPERATION WITH THE
"INDWELLING SPIRIT"

COOPERATING WITH HIS GUIDANCE
& LEADERSHIP

"ALLOWING"

HOLY SPIRIT TO CONTROL OUR LIVES

"WE"

EXHIBIT THE LOVELINESS OF CHRIST

"THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT"

③ THIS MUST BE REPEATED -

(MOMENT BY MOMENT)

- MANY FILLINGS - ONE RECEIVING -

[TO REMAIN INTOXICATED WITH WINE
YOU MUST KEEP DRINKING]

(COMPARISON
COMPARISON)

TO REMAIN FILLED WITH SPIRIT -

"YOU MUST" - "KEEP YIELDING" -

HIS PRESENCE IS PERMANENT - "BUT"

- "HIS FILLING" - MUST BE REPEATED REPEATED

③ THE CONSEQUENCE - (BE THRILLED)
(VS 18-20)

"SPEAKING TO YOURSELVES"

① IN SONG - ②

→ HEARTS OVERFLOWING WITH
MUSIC & SONG IN "PUBLIC
WORSHIP"

→ HEARTS OVERFLOWING WITH
JOY & PRAISE

- "PSALMS", HYMNS, SPIRITUAL SONGS -

NOTE:

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT -
"INCLUDES" - "JOY" -

A

"HAPPY" "JOYFUL" "SINGING" -
FAITH

→ NO ONE BUT A CHRISTIAN "HAS" A
"LEGITIMATE" REASON TO SING -

② IN SINCERITY - (196)

"IN YOUR HEART"

"MAKING MELODY" = "A SINGING HEART"

WHICH INVOLVES:

① SIN DWELT WITH -

(CONFESSED COMPLETELY)

(1 JOHN 1:9)

(CLEANSED TOTALLY)

HE IS FAITHFUL & JUST -- TO
FORGIVE -- "ALL YOUR SIN" --

A CLEAN HEART -- IS
A MELODIOUS HEART --

② SELF-WILL DWELT WITH -

[WE MUST DIE TO SELF -- FOR
GOD TO -- FILL US -- WITH HIMSELF --

OUR INTELLECT, OUR BODY, OUR TIME
(ESPECIALLY) OUR TALENT, OUR POSSESSIONS --
→ ~~ESPECIALLY~~ "ESPECIALLY" "ESPECIALLY"

OUR MOTIVATION & OUR DESIRE --

III] WE ARE SEPARATED - (16) BE SUBMISSIVE

{ SPIRIT CONTROLLING - THE USE
OF OUR TIME - }

"BECAUSE"

- ALL OUR DAYS - HAVE ~~FOR~~ EVIL
IN THEM -

(A) WE HAVE "SOVEREIGNLY" BOUND OUR
LIVES - WITH ETERNITY -
(WE NEVER DIE)

+

(B) GOD KNOWS THE BEGINNING - AND
THE END -

(C) WE MUST MAXIMIZE THE TIME
GIVE US ON EARTH -

"OPPORTUNITIES" GIVEN - ONLY AS
WE ARE FILLED & LEAD BY

5/11 - - (THE HOLY SPIRIT) -

SEPARATED FROM THE WORLD

(*) DIFFUSED = "FILLED" - MADE AT REST
WITH "HOLY SPIRIT" -