

## “Living as a LIGHT”

### Series: Learning to Live “in Christ” - Ephesians

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Behavior is what happens when our hearts reveal what it is we have been feeding to them! Paul continues to reveal how God’s Plan is wrapped up in Christ, the Ekklesia (Church) and the Holy Spirit.

Today, we continue Paul’s logic, instruction and correction and consider where WE need to apply it.

### We need to \_\_\_\_\_ our Identity as a Light!

“Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. <sup>12</sup> It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and **everything that is illuminated becomes a light.** <sup>14</sup> This is why it is said:

“Wake up, sleeper,  
rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

<sup>15</sup> Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise,

<sup>16</sup> making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.”

Ephesians 5:11-16

“For you were once darkness, but **now you are light in the Lord.**  
Live as children of light” Ephesians 5:8

### The Ways of Darkness reveal who we really believe is \_\_\_\_\_!

“Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is.

<sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery.”

Ephesians 5:17-18a

### Paul mentions \_\_\_\_\_ that LIGHT Behaves or Shines among Christ-followers.

“Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, **be filled with the Spirit,** <sup>19</sup> speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> **always giving thanks** to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 5:18b-20

**Conclusion:** If you are in Christ, you are a light...Make your life, our lives, about SHINING!

All Scriptures are from the New International Version unless noted.

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