

Ephesians 5:11-21  
“Filled with the Spirit—To the Praise of His Glory!”

***“The more of God’s Word you know and love, the more of God’s Spirit you will experience.” (John Piper)***

Introduction:

***Ephesians 5:11-12, “Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret.”***

1. We are given two ways to deal with wickedness:
  - a. We are not to be participants:

- b. We are to openly rebuke:

2. We are not to discuss those things that are so:

***Ephesians 5:13-14, “But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says:***

***‘Awake, O sleeper,  
and arise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.’***

1. We expose wickedness with the light of the scripture because:
2. We expose wickedness to the light of scripture because:
3. We expose wickedness to the light of scripture because:

***Ephesians 5:15-16, “Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.”***

1. Believers are not only to walk in love:
2. Believers want to use their time in ways that:

***Ephesians 5:17-18a, “Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery...”***

1. Believers are not to serve out of panic:

2. Believers are not to seek:

***Ephesians 5:18b, “...but be filled with the Spirit...”***

1. Believers are to experience the intoxication of the Holy Spirit:

***Ephesians 5:19-21, “...addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.”***

1. While being drunk with wine often leads to a false sense of community:

2. While being drunk with wine often produces inappropriate songs and stories:

3. While being drunk with wine often produces giving thanks to the undeserving:

4. While being drunk with wine often produces unhealthy alignments:

Conclusion: