



ENGAGE GUIDE

SUNDAY'S SERMON // SUNDAY, JANUARY 30 EPHESIANS 5:1-5 // GOSPEL DRIVEN OBEDIENCE

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Use these questions in your community (family, life group, ABF, etc.) to apply this sermon in your life.

1. As you prepare to jump into this week's passage, discuss what it means for your identity to be a child of God. What are the blessings and promises that come with it?
2. Read Ephesians 5:1-5. There are five commands in this section of Ephesians—What are they?
3. The first two commands (*follow God's example* and *walk in the way of love*) are placed amidst longer modifiers. Why are these modifiers important to these specific commands and to our call to obedience in general?
4. How does the gospel message transform a list of commands into a joyful response to God? Have you ever experienced this in your own life? Describe that transformation.
5. Read Hebrews 12:1-3. Discuss how this passage ties in with Ephesians 5:1-5. Practically, what does it mean for you to live with your eyes set on Jesus rather than the things that hinder us here on earth?
6. Pray for ongoing transformation in each other's lives and that the way you live would give opportunities to boldly proclaim the gospel in your Oikos.

NEXT SUNDAY // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6 EPHESIANS 5:6-14

SCRIPTURE: READING ABOUT GOD

Take time to read and become familiar with this passage before hearing it preached next Sunday.

- What words were used/repeated/emphasized in this passage?
- Where else in Scripture are these words described/illustrated?
- How does this passage describe God?
- In your own words, summarize this passage, trying to identify the main theme.

PRAYER: COMMUNICATING WITH GOD

Allow your responses to these questions to affect your prayers this week for...

- Yourself
- The Church
- Your Oikos