

SUNDAY'S SERMON // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6 EPHESIANS 5:5-14 // INTO THE LIGHT

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

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

- 1. Our passage this week, Ephesians 5:5-14, is full of warnings for believers on how they live and who they associate with. Think about warnings that we see or receive in day-to-day life. Are you a rule follower who quickly gets in alignment with a warning, or are you apt to disregard them and keep going? Share a story about how your regard, or disregard, of a warning has played out.
- 2. Read Ephesians 5:5-14. Right off the bat we're warned about immorality, impurity, and greed. Personally, as a smaller Life Group community, and on a larger scale as a church, how can we expose, confess, and destroy these sins? There are healthy and unhealthy ways to do this—discuss how verse 5 connects to this.
- 3. Verse 7 warns us not only to live in immorality, impurity, and greed, but also not to associate with people who do. Read Deuteronomy 18:9-13 and talk about why it is so important that we not partner with those in darkness. What does partnership with those who openly pursue sin do to us?
- 4. What are the descriptors in the passage of someone who walks in the light? Compare that list to the descriptors we've discussed of those who walk in darkness. Read 1 John 1:8-10 for further study and discussion.
- 5. Pray for each other that the light of Christ would shine in and through you and you would be a reflection of that light to those in your sphere of influence.

NEXT SUNDAY // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 EPHESIANS 5:15-21

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