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**Ephesians** 5:10-21

Make sure to discover what is pleasing to the Lord: do not participate in the barren deeds of darkness - rather reveal them for what they are. It is shameful to even mention what men do in secret; but, when exposed to the light all things become visible. Light reveals all. [A composite quotation, possibly from Isa 26:19, 51:17, 52:1, and 60:1.] So, it says, "Awake, sleeper,

Arise from the dead, And Christ will shine on you."

Observe carefully how you walk: not as unwise, but as sensible. Make the most of the time you have, for the days are evil. Understand the Lord's will: do not get drunk with wine, for that is destructive; let yourself be filled spiritually. Speak to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, in a melody flowing, from all of your heart, to the Lord; at all times and in all things, give thanks to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ

- 1. Your light is to expose darkness (John 3:16-21)
- 2. In all of life you are to be sons of light (I Pet 2:9; I Joh 1:5-7)
- 3. Sensuous appetite must not reign over you (Phil. 3:18-19)
- 4. Your being must overflow in the Spirit spiritually
- 5. Become a person who lives in melody (Col 3:15-17)
- 6. Fill all aspects of life with Christ (Eph. 3: 13-21)
- 7. God's will (Eph. 1:5-10; Col 1: 9-10; Heb. 13:20-21; 10:8-10; I Thess. 5:16-18; 4:3-5)

Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse; for although they knew God they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking and their senseless minds were darkened. (Rom 1:20-21 RSV)

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