



Questions for Further Study

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Ephesians 5: 1-20

1. Do you remember a time when you have ignored warnings thinking you knew best, only to find yourself in difficulties? Or you have warned someone (a child perhaps), only for them to ignore you?
2. Have you been in a church where the members are expected to behave in a certain way, which may or may not be biblical? Did you find the “rules” comforting or restrictive?
3. In this passage, Paul makes a long list of things we should and should not do. What is the difference between this and the 613 laws (Mitzvot) of the Jewish tradition? (v1-2)
4. (v2-6) How easy is it today to be different and remain holy? How can we help other people (and ourselves!), who are constantly being bombarded by alternative messages and “truths”, to resist temptation?
5. (v8-9) What does it mean to “walk in the light”? How do we remain in the light, and become a beacon of light for others?
6. Do you actively seek to be filled by the Spirit every day? Why is this an important habit to foster? What might help you?

This is your day, Lord. I want to be at Your disposal. I have no idea what these next twenty-four hours will contain. But before I sip my first cup of coffee, and even before I get dressed, I want You to know that from this moment on throughout this day, I’m Yours, Lord. Help me to lean on You, to draw strength from You, and to have You fill my mind and my thoughts.

Take control of my senses so that I am literally filled with Your presence and empowered with Your energy. I want to be Your tool, Your vessel today. I can’t make it happen. And so I’m saying, Lord, fill me with Your Spirit today.

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7. Take time to pray for individuals. Some may not believe themselves truly loved, and others could be struggling with temptations. Encourage them to seek prayer and guidance. Pray that your light will shine in a dark world. Ask the Spirit to continually fill you.