



EPHESIANS

WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST

Walk of Light #6

- Children of light (Jn 12:36)
 - Contrast to the sons of disobedience (6)
 - What is this like? (Jn 8:12; 2Co 3:18)
 - Fruit of the Light – “all”
 - **Goodness, Righteousness, Truth**
 - What effect would this have...

Well-pleasing

- *euarestos* 9x – Ro 12:1,2; He 13:21
- Trying (proving) to learn...
 - Through the Word; the Spirit; others...
 - Jn 8:29; Ps 19:14; Pr 21:3
 - Do we try hard here? Why?
 - What would change if you pleased God?

'Dark' friends

- Do not participate/have common bonds
 - Unfruitful (comp 9)
 - Expose/Reprove them – by being LIGHT!!
 - Life, conversation, influence
 - Rather expose – reprove, rebuke, convince
 - John 3:20; 16:8; Mt. 18:15; 2Tim 4:2
 - For repentance and restoration...

How to deal with 'dark'?

- Not a subject of conversation! (12)
 - Too much talk, not enough prayer!
 - Disgraceful – w/o beauty, worth
 - Speak out, but not for 'common' talk
- Nature of light – to expose everything!
 - How did Jesus do it?
 - Nicodemus, Woman at the well...

Arise...

- Free quoting from Is 26:19; 60:1?
 - Ro 13:11,12; 1Th 5:6
 - We need to be awake and sober!
- Careful Walk (#7)
 - Take heed, open eyed, aware
 - As wise – skilled, diligent, “perfect”
 - Stumbling/tripping has big consequences

Redeem the time...

- Time is short... Col 4:5 Evil days
- Do not be foolish (*aphron*)
 - Why do you think he needed to say all this?
 - “stop becoming foolish” (lit.)
 - So many errors here...
- Understand the Lord’s will
 - This we certainly please Him (see vs 10)

Careful Walking...

- Don't be intoxicated – stop it!
 - The best way not to be drunk...?
 - Gen 9,19; Pr 23:20-30; Is 5:11; Lk 21:34
 - orgies of Bacchus, hence – riot, excess
- If you are going to “get filled” – HS!!!
 - *pleroo*: be full, carry thru, make perfect
 - Can we get a little too much of HIM???

When the HS is in you...

- Speaking (you!) to one another...
 - Psalms (*psalmos*) – holy songs, twang a string
 - Hymns (*humnos*) – sacred song, of heroes
 - Spiritual songs – *pneumatikos* – full of HIM
 - Singing (*ado*) – use your voice!
 - melody (*psallo*) - to pluck, praise
 - In your heart – the beginning of all worship
 - To the LORD – the ONLY Focus