

Ephesians

CHAPTER 5

- 1** Be therefore followers of God, as dear children;
- 2** And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us, and has given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour.
- 3** But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becomes saints;
- 4** Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
- 5** For this you know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
- 6** Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things comes the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.
- 7** Be not therefore partakers with them.
- 8** For you were sometimes darkness, but now *are you* light in the Lord: walk as children of light:
- 9** (For the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
- 10** Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.
- 11** And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove *them*.
- 12** For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.
- 13** But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever does make manifest is light.
- 14** Wherefore he says, Awake you that sleeps, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light.
- 15** See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
- 16** Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
- 17** Wherefore be not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.
- 18** And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;
- 19** Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;
- 20** Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- 21** Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
- 22** Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
- 23** For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and He is the saviour of the body.
- 24** Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.
- 25** Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it;
- 26** That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
- 27** That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
- 28** So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loves his wife loves himself.
- 29** For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourishes and cherishes it, even as the Lord the church:
- 30** For we are members of His body, of His flesh, and of His bones.
- 31** For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.
- 32** This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.
- 33** Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.