**R1034 Rumination for November 17, 2024**

The **T**heme: **The Walk of the Christian** [berita-bethel-ung.com](http://www.berita-bethel-ung.com)

The **T**ext: ﻿***W****alk in love, as Christ also hath loved us…* Eph. 5:2

The **T**hots:

1. **Walk in Love.** **Eph. 5:1-7**
2. As **G**od has **G**iven **C**hrist to us for our **E**xample. 5:1, 2

*Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; A**nd walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us,*

 *and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a* ***S****weet-****S****melling* ***S****avour.*

1. The **G**odly **C**haracterto be **E**xhibited. 5:3-5
2. What we should not do. 5:3, 4

*Fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you,*

*as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient:*

1. What we should do – *but rather giving of thanks.* 5:4
2. What we should know. 5:5

*For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man,*

*who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.*

1. The **G**iven un**C**ompromising **E**xhortation. 5:6, 7
2. Be not **D**eceived; be **S**eparate from them – *Let no man deceive you with vain words:* 5:6

*for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.*

1. Be **D**ecisive (**D**ecided) in your **S**tand – *Be not ye therefore partakers with them.* 5:7
2. **Walk in Light.** **Eph. 5:8-14**
3. The **C**hildren of **L**ight.
4. They are in the **L**ord. 5:8

*For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:*

1. They bear the **L**iving Fruit of the Spirit, 5:9

*(For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)*

1. They do the **L**oving Will of God – *Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.* 5:10 cf. Rom. 12:2

Cf. *And ﻿be not conformed ﻿to this world: but ﻿be ye transformed by ﻿the renewing ﻿of your mind,*

 *that ye may ﻿prove what is that good, and ﻿acceptable, and perfect, ﻿will of God*

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1. The **C**ontrast in **L**iving. 5:9-14
2. **Children of Light.** b. **Children of Darkness.**
3. *Fruit of the Spirit.* 5. 9 *Works of Darkness.* 5:11
4. Fruitful Works. 5:9 *Unfruitful Works.* 5:11
5. *Awake…Arise from the dead*  5:14 Asleep – *thou that sleepest* 5:14
6. Do things openly – *manifest by the light.* 5:13 *Done of them in secret.* 5:12
7. **Walk in Wisdom.** **Eph. 5:15-18**
8. Understand the **W**orld around, and be not **C**onformed to it. 5:15

*See then that ye* ***W****alk* ***C****ircumspectly, not as fools, but as* ***W****ise,*

Cf. *And ﻿be not* ***C****onformed ﻿to this* ***W****orld:* cf. Rom. 12:2a

1. Understand the **T**imes and their **W**ays Eph. 5:16

***R****edeeming the* ***T****ime, because the days are evil*

Cf. *be ye* ***T****ransformed by the* ***R****enewing of your mind…* Rom. 12:2b

1. Understand the **W**ill of God from the **W**ord of God. 5:17

*Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the* ***W****ill of the Lord is.*

 Cf. … t*hat ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect,* ***W****ill of God* Rom. 12:2c

 Cf. *“It is written, That ﻿man shall not live by bread alone, but by every* ***W****ord of God.* Lk. 4:4

**Conclusion:** **WALK IN THE LIGHT…** **Eph. 5:18-20**

*And ﻿be not drunk with wine, wherein is ﻿excess; but ﻿be filled with the Spirit;*

*Speaking to yourselves ﻿in ﻿psalms and ﻿hymns and spiritual ﻿songs,*

*singing and ﻿making melody in your heart to the Lord;*

*Giving thanks always for all things unto ﻿God and the Father ﻿*

*in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;*

*Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.*

As we partake of the Bread and Drink of the Cup,

Let us not forget to Remember Him as He told us to.

**Words to Ponder**: *Walk in the* ***L****ight, as He is the* ***L****ight.*