

SERIES: Ephesians
Walk as Children of Light
Ephesians 5:7-10

A Radical Separation: Display Light by Not Joining Those in Darkness (5:7)

- Paul is not talking about association with sinners...
 - He is talking about _____ with sinners.
- We are called to separation from the world.
 - We are not called to _____ from the world.

A Radical Transformation: Display Light by Living Out Your Identity (5:8)

- We must remember our _____ history.
 - We once were darkness.
 - We were spiritually _____.
 - We were morally _____.
 - We were intellectually _____.
 - We were totally _____.
- We must remember our _____ identity.
 - We are now light in the Lord.
 - We must _____ the light of Christ. (Matthew 5:16)
 - We must _____ the love of Christ. (1 John 2:10–11)
 - We must _____ the word of Christ. (Philippians 2:14-16)

A Radical Demonstration: Display Light by Doing All that Is Good, Right, and True (5:8-9)

- Notice that Paul repeatedly tells us who we _____ before he says what we must _____.
 - In Christianity, the indicative always comes before the imperative.
 - If we are children of light, we will bear the fruit of light.
- To live in the light, we must...
 - Do good _____. (Ephesians 2:10)
 - Live _____. (Ephesians 4:24)
 - Speak the _____. (Ephesians 4:15)

A Radical Examination: Display Light by Pleasing the Lord (5:10)

- Pleasing the Lord requires _____.
- Pleasing the Lord requires _____.
 - The crucible of Scripture...
 - **The Test:** *Does the Bible explicitly command or forbid this?*
 - The crucible of wisdom...
 - **The Test:** *If the Bible is silent, is this choice ultimately helpful or hindering?*
 - The crucible of love...
 - **The Test:** *Will this choice build up my neighbor or cause them to stumble?*
 - The crucible of glory...
 - **The Test:** *Can I honestly thank God for this and do it to His glory?*
- Pleasing the Lord requires _____. (Hebrews 11:6)

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A Radical Separation: Display Light by Not Joining Those in Darkness (5:7)

- Paul is not talking about association with sinners...
 - He is talking about **participation** with sinners.
- We are called to separation from the world.
 - We are not called to **isolation** from the world.

A Radical Transformation: Display Light by Living Out Your Identity (5:8)

- We must remember our **past** history.
 - We once were darkness.
 - We were spiritually **blind**.
 - We were morally **wicked**.
 - We were intellectually **deceived**.
 - We were totally **lost**.
- We must remember our **present** identity.
 - We are now light in the Lord.
 - We must **shine** the light of Christ. (Matthew 5:16)
 - We must **show** the love of Christ. (1 John 2:10–11)
 - We must **share** the word of Christ. (Philippians 2:14-16)

A Radical Demonstration: Display Light by Doing All that Is Good, Right, and True (5:8-9)

- Notice that Paul repeatedly tells us who we **are** before he says what we must **do**.
 - In Christianity, the indicative always comes before the imperative.
 - If we are children of light, we will bear the fruit of light.
- To live in the light, we must...
 - Do good **works**. (Ephesians 2:10)
 - Live **righteously**. (Ephesians 4:24)
 - Speak the **truth**. (Ephesians 4:15)

A Radical Examination: Display Light by Pleasing the Lord (5:10)

- Pleasing the Lord requires **trying**.
- Pleasing the Lord requires **testing**.
 - The crucible of Scripture...
 - **The Test:** *Does the Bible explicitly command or forbid this?*
 - The crucible of wisdom...
 - **The Test:** *If the Bible is silent, is this choice ultimately helpful or hindering?*
 - The crucible of love...
 - **The Test:** *Will this choice build up my neighbor or cause them to stumble?*
 - The crucible of glory...
 - **The Test:** *Can I honestly thank God for this and do it to His glory?*
- Pleasing the Lord requires **trusting**. (Hebrews 11:6)