**Ephesians Chapter 5; Chapter 6:1-9**

**Our Walk**

* Walk in Love
* Walk in the Light
* Be Careful how you Walk

The unchurched, the lost, the broken, the oppressed are looking…….what will they see in us? -

**VS 2 Walk in Love as Christ loved us…**

* 1 John 2:5-6 walk in the same manner as He walked.
* 1 John 3:18 love in deed and in truth.
* 1 John 4:19 We love because He first loved us.

VS 3-5

* Immorality
* Impurity
* Greed
* Filthiness and silly talk
* Course jesting
* Idolatry
* Covetous
* The above have no place in God’s Kingdom
* Galatians 5:19-21 – the works of the flesh.
* Colossians 3:5-11 – seek what is above and put off the “old man”.
* 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

**VS 6 The Wrath of God**

* Romans 1:18, 24, 26, 28
* Revelation 14:19
* Revelation 16 – the 7 Bowls of Wrath
* Revelation 19:15

**VS 8-14 Walk in Light**

* 1 John 1:5-10 God is light
* 1 Peter 4: 1-4 Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness.
* Romans 12:1-4 Learn what is pleasing to the Lord
* John 3:19 Men love the darkness more than the light.

**VS 15 – 20 Walk Carefully**

* Be wise and not foolish.
* Make the best use of your time because the days are evil.
* Know what the will of the Lord is.
	+ The Garden of Eden
	+ Jesus
	+ The Word of God – Bible
* Be filled with the Holy Spirit – not wine. Controlled by the Spirit, not something else.
	+ To be filled you must be first emptied.
	+ Romans 6:1ff
* Give thanks in all things – Jackie Pullinger – Chasing the Dragon.

**VS 21 Submission**

1. Jesus was submitted to the Father.
2. Christians are to be submitted to Jesus as the Head of the Body of Christ
3. Children are to be submitted to their parents
4. Employees are to be submitted to their employers
5. Citizens are to be submitted to governmental authorities
6. Wives are to be submitted to their husbands

**VS 22 – 31 Wives Submit to Your Husband**

* Church model of submission for wives to follow
* Husbands – love your wives
	+ As Christ loved the church (sacrificially).
	+ As you love your own body (flesh).
	+ As yourself.

***Dearly beloved: We have gathered together in the presence of God to witness and bless the joining together of this man and this woman in Holy Matrimony.***

***Almighty God established the bond and covenant of marriage in creation as a sign of the mystical union between Christ and his Church. Our Lord Jesus Christ adorned this manner of life by his presence and first miracle at a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and it is commended by Holy Scripture to be held in honor among all people.***

***The union of husband and wife in heart, body, and mind was ordained by God: for the procreation of children and their nurture in the knowledge and love of the Lord; for mutual joy, and for the help and comfort given one another in prosperity and adversity; to maintain purity, so that husbands and wives, with all the household of God, might serve as holy and undefiled members of the Body of Christ; and for the upbuilding of Christ’s kingdom in family, church, and society, to the praise of his holy Name.***

***Therefore, marriage is not to be entered into unadvisedly or lightly, but reverently, deliberately, and in accordance with the purposes for which it was ordained by Almighty God. Into this holy union N.N. and N.N. now come to be joined. If any of you can show just cause why they may not be married in accordance with God’s Word, speak now; or else for ever hold your peace.*** Book of Common Prayer Pages 201- 202

**Chapter 6: 1-9 Children and Slaves**

* Children obey your parents in the Lord.
* Honor your father and mother that life will go well with you – Exodus 20:12; Duet 5:16
* Father – raise your children wisely.
* Slaves be obedient to your masters, and you would be obedient to Christ.
* The Lord watches you and will honor your obedience
* Owners treat your slaves fairly knowing the Lord is also watching you.