

Study of Ephesians – Week 8

Pray and ask God, through the Holy Spirit, to help you understand the Bible and that its truth would be revealed to you as you study. Then, read the passages of Scripture designated for each day and answer the questions, using the referenced verses.

DAY 1. Read and review Ephesians 5:1-21.

1.) List and describe a verse or specific truth from Ephesians 5:1-21 that stood out to you from the study last week. Explain why.

2.) Read and review Ephesians 5:14-15. What do you think verse 5:14 means? Where have you been a “sleeper” and need the light of Christ?

3.) Read Ephesians 5:15-21. Paul directs that we are to “always give thanks” to God the Father for “everything.” Praise is both a discipline and a spontaneous response to God’s goodness. Fill out the chart below as a practice to worship God.

Gratitude for what is happening in your life...	Gratitude for what you know about God from Ephesians...

DAY 2. Skim Ephesians 5:22-32, and answer the questions.

1.) It is important to remember the truths of each previous chapter in Ephesians as a basis for the discussion in Chapter 5 of the roles of husbands and wives. Read each of the verses below, and write down a specific truth:

(a) Eph. 1:20-23:

(b) Eph. 2:8-9:

(c) Eph. 2:19-20:

(d) Eph. 3:16-19

(e) Eph. 4:1-6:

(f) Eph. 5:1-2:

2.) Read Ephesians 5:22-24. The Greek word usually translated as “submit” can also be translated as “being joined or attached together.” Read 5:21-24. Read through them once using the word “*submit*” and once substituting the words “*be joined.*” Consider which word makes sense in the context, and write down your reasons.

DAY 3. Read Ephesians 5:22-33, and answer the questions.

1.) Paul’s command to husbands was: “Love your wives” (v. 25), then he immediately told husbands what it meant to do so. Describe what it means from this passage.

2.) Read Ephesians 5:21. As discussed in chapter 4, mutual submission in all relationships is based upon a filling of the Holy Spirit (v.18-21). How does your relationship with the Lord affect your relationship with your spouse?

How does your relationship with your spouse affect your relationship with the Lord?

How does your relationship within the church affect your relationship with the Lord?

DAY 4. Read Ephesians 5:22-32, and answer the questions.

1.) In previous chapters in Ephesians Paul taught believers to be submissive to each other and then he made a special application to the husband-wife relationship. Review the passages below on the marriage relationship and write down a specific truth:

(a) Colossians 3:18-21:

(b) 1 Corinthians 7:1-17:

(c) 1 Timothy 2:8-15: