

Elgin Evangelical Free Church - April 30, 2023

The Walk of Wisdom Eph. 5:15-17

o Making the most of your time v. 15

Understanding the will of God v.16

 $\circ\;$ Being filled with the Spirit v.17

The Way of Addictions and Idolatry Eph. 5:1	18a; Proverbs 23:29-35
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o The Symptoms of Addiction/Idolatry 18a, Pr. 23:29

o The Temptation of Addictions/Idolatry Pr. 23:30-31

The Truth of Addictions/Idolatry Pr. 23:32

The Impact of Addictions/Idolatry Pr. 23:33-35

The Filling of the Spirit Eph. 5:18b-21

o Command v.18b

- The Evidence v.19-21
 - Our Talk with One Another v.19a

Our Worship to the Lord v.19b

Our Thanksgiving to God v.20

Our Submission to One Another v.21

How do You deal with Your addictions and idolatry?

- o Abandon your addictions and idolatry
- o Be filled with the Spirit

Life Group Questions
April 30, 2023
Dealing with Your Addictions and Idolatry
Ephesians 5:17-21

- 1. This will be personal: when you get stressed, what do you do?
- 2. Read Ephesians 5:17. What is the consequence of drunkenness? What does this mean?
- 3. When you think of addictions, what are some that come to your mind?
- 4. Read Proverbs 23:29-35. What insights do you gain from these verses about the way addictions work?
- 5. When you think idols in a Christian's life, what are our idols?
- 6. How are addictions and idols similar?
- 7. Read Ephesians 5:15-17. If you were going to tell another Christian to walk in wisdom, what are some things you would tell them to do?
- 8. Reread Ephesians 5:18. This is a command for us to follow. How do you obey this and get "filled with the Spirit"?
- 9. Read Ephesians 5:19-21. What are the ways others will know if you are filled with the Spirit?
- 10. When you consider the evidences of being filled with the Spirit, which of these is the most difficult for people to see in your life?

- 11. Describe what life in your home would look and feel like if we were all "subject to one another in the fear of the Lord".
- 12. Describe what life in our church would look and feel like if we were all "subject to one another in the fear of the Lord."

Personal: What idol/addiction will you give up? How will you demonstrate you are "filled with the Spirit"?