



WINTER 2020



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II. Read <u>Ephesians 5:3-7.</u> List the sins that Paul says are "improper" (out of place, out of character) for us as Christians. Discuss what each is and why they don't fit with our lives. In what ways is greed like idolatry (verse 5)? Expound on Paul's warning in verses 5-6. Should we spend more time preaching against these kinds of sins in our church? Explain your answer.

III. Finally, read <u>Ephesians 5:8-14</u>. In what sense is Christian conversion like going from darkness to light? Any personal examples from your group? How can we find out what pleases the Lord? Note <u>Psalm 69:30-31</u>, <u>Proverbs 15:8</u>, <u>Romans 12:1</u>, <u>Colossians 3:20</u>, <u>Hebrews 11:6</u>, <u>Romans 14:17-18</u>, <u>1 Timothy</u> <u>2:1-3</u>. Lastly, verse 11 says we are to expose fruitless deeds of darkness. What does this mean? Whose deeds? Should we be "telling on one another"? Note <u>1 John 1:5-10</u>.

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