

11 - 8: Sermon Listening Guide



A New Journey

A Review of Our Time in Ephesians:

Ephesians 1:

1. Everyone desires to flourish in their lives.
2. The gospel is the only plan for true human flourishing.
3. Humanity flourishes when the *nations* sing a new song.

Ephesians 2:1-10:

1. Shared experience creates new relationships, stories, and community.
2. God's salvation of our lives is the most profound experience of all.
3. This shared experience is our uniting power as the church.

“But God”

Ephesians 2:15-18:

1. We separate and divide by what we treasure.
2. The heart of the gospel is reconciliation.
3. Jesus creates a new 'ethnicity' altogether.

"We have to be a church to agree to disagree...and still be a family."

Ephesians 4:1-6:

1. A new love in our relationships. (vs.1-2)
2. A new love for our oneness. (vs.3-6)
3. A new love for our interdependency. (vs.11-16)

"We the church, must first Flourish before we can help the world flourish."

Ephesians 4:17-32:

1. Holy Spirit empowers us to leave the old life. (vs. 17-21)
2. Holy Spirit empowers us to live the new life. (vs. 22-28)
3. Holy Spirit empowers us to love other lives. (vs. 29-32)

"Don't just stop doing bad things...do the right thing in Jesus name. "

Ephesians 3:

1. An Impossible Mission.
2. A Mighty Prayer.
3. An Unwavering Hope.

“America isn’t the Kingdom of God....it isn’t a city on a hill as described by Jesus...BUT IT is the church, the people of God”

Ephesians 5:15 – 20

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¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

What does the word carefully mean?

care·ful·ly

/ˈkɜrfələ/

adverb

1. in a way that deliberately avoids harm or errors; cautiously.
2. something done precisely, accurately, or after close attention.

Paul encourages us to:

Verse 15: Be _____, then how
you _____ – not as
_____ but as _____,

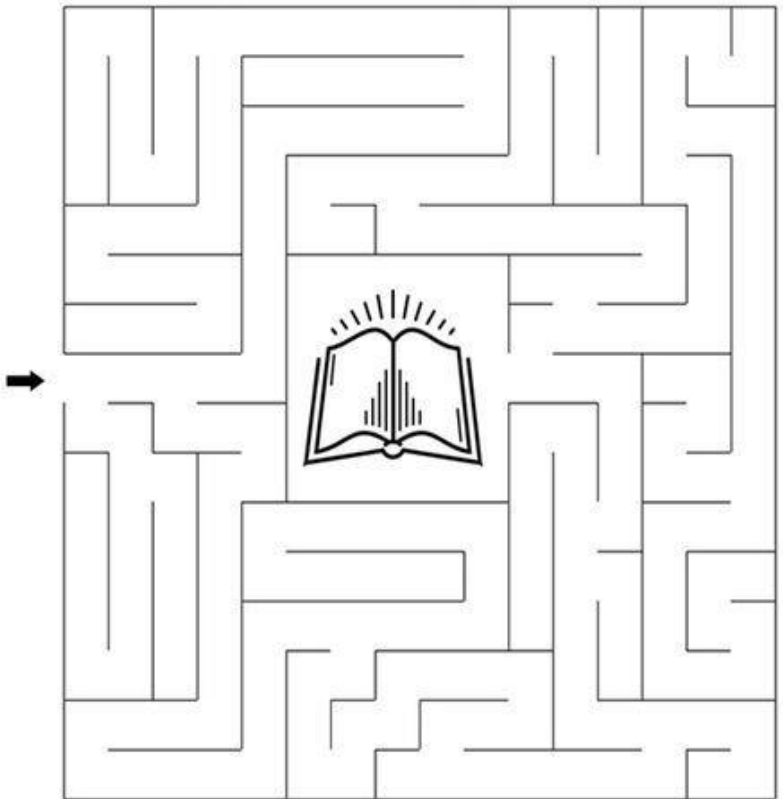
Verse 16: making the most out of every
_____, because the days are
_____.

Verse 17: _____ do not be
_____, but understand what the
Lord' will is.

Verse 18: Do not get drunk on wine, which
leads to debauchery (*excessive indulgence*).
Instead, be _____ with the
_____.

Verse 19: _____ to one another
with psalms, hymns, and songs from the
Spirit. _____ and make music
from your heart to the Lord,

Verse 20: _____ giving thanks to
God the Father for everything, in the name
of our Lord Jesus Christ.



MAIN TRUTHS:

1. Live wisely with every

_____ .

2. Embrace a spiritual _____ .

3. Walk in unity through

_____ .

4. Journey with Jesus _____ .

NOTES: _____



CONCLUDING APPLICATIONS:

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QUESTIONS:

1. When you aren't careful, what things can happen to you? Share an example.

2. Why does Paul tell us to live carefully in our lives as Christians?

3. What are some ways that we can live carefully today from our passage?
