

## WALKING IN WISDOM

### The Book of Ephesians

#### Introduction

- I. The Wise Walk Is a **Diligent** Walk – Ephesians 5:15
  - A. Walking Diligently Keeps Us from **Defection** – Psalm 14:1, Romans 1:21-22, Titus 3:3-6
  - B. Walking Diligently Keeps Us from **Disobedience** – Galatians 3:1,3
  - C. Walking Diligently Keeps Us from **Destruction** – 1 Timothy 6:9
- II. The Wise Walk Is a **Disciplined** Walk – Ephesians 5:16, Psalm 90:10, 1 Chronicles 29:15, Job 7:6, Psalm 39:5, Psalm 102:3, Psalm 103:15-16, James 4:14, Psalm 90:12
- III. The Wise Walk Is a **Directed** Walk – Ephesians 5:17, Psalm 37:4, John 7:17, Psalm 32:8-9
- IV. The Wise Walk Is a **Dynamic** Walk – Ephesians 5:18-21
  - A. The **Command** to Be Filled With the Spirit – Ephesians 5:18
  - B. The **Consequences** to Being Filled With the Spirit – Ephesians 5:19-21
    1. A Dynamic Way of **Speaking** – Ephesians 5:19
    2. A Dynamic Way of **Singing** – Ephesians 5:19
    3. A Dynamic Way of **Saying “Thank You”** – Ephesians 5:20
    4. A Dynamic Way of **Submitting** – Ephesians 5:21

#### Conclusion

1. **Desire** to Be Filled – John 7:37-39, James 4:2
2. **Denounce** Sin in Your Life – 1 John 1:9
3. **Dedicate** Yourself Fully to Christ – Romans 12:1-2
4. **Depend Daily** on the Holy Spirit – Galatians 5:16

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

### Getting Started

1. Pastor Jeremiah said, “Wisdom is the skill for navigating life.” Describe someone you know who is skilled at doing life well.

2. Share *your* story. When have you made a wise decision? What about a time when you made an unwise decision? What was the outcome of each?

### Going Deeper

1. Read Ephesians 5:15. How might a person “walk, while looking around”? In what way does “keeping our eyes wide open” help us navigate life well?

2. Read Psalm 14:1, Romans 1:21-22, and Titus 3:3-6. If a person is not walking in wisdom, what does this say about their character? Their heart? Their way of doing life?

3. Read 1 Timothy 6:9. How might a Christian “self-destruct” even though she/he is a follower of Jesus? Describe an example of this type of personal implosion

4. Read Ephesians 5:16. In what way might a person obediently live in order to “redeem” the time he/she has been given by God?

