

Advent

The Season of Hope and Expectation

HOPE

PEACE

JOY

LOVE



Living by the Spirit



Light Living



Ephesians 5:1-20 (NLT)
Imitate God, therefore, in
everything you do,
because you are His dear
children.



2 Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered Himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.







3 Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you. Such sins have no place among God's people.



4 Obscene stories, foolish talk, and coarse jokes—these are not for you. Instead, let there be thankfulness to God.



5 You can be sure that no immoral, impure, or greedy person will inherit the Kingdom of Christ and of God. For a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world.



6 Don't be fooled by those who try to excuse these sins, for the anger of God will fall on all who disobey Him.



7 Don't participate in the things these people do. 8 For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord.



So live as people of light! ⁹ For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true.



**10 Carefully determine
what pleases the
Lord. 11 Take no part in
the worthless deeds of
evil and darkness;
instead, expose them.**



12 It is shameful even to talk about the things that ungodly people do in secret.



13 But their evil intentions will be exposed when the light shines on them, ¹⁴ for the light makes everything visible. This is why it is said,



**“Awake, O sleeper,
rise up from the dead,
and Christ will give you
light.”**



15 So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. 16 Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.



**17 Don't act thoughtlessly,
but understand what the
Lord wants you to do.**



18 Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit,



19 singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts.



20 And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.



**Joyful people are grateful
people, and grateful
people are generous
people.**



One of the best ways to learn to be a light liver is to intentionally look for ways to bring light into others' lives



The Love Gift Challenge

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- **Tell your story**

