

II. God's Continuing Plan for his People

I. Review:

Status/Role

Galatians 3:26,27

Genesis 2-3

God's original plan for people...

II. A word to us all

Ephesians 4:32—5:2

3. Verse 2: What does an everyday Christian love never ask?
4. Prove that God doesn't ask of us anything he himself hasn't done.
5. How do these verses prove that Christ is God?

Ephesians 5:3,4

6. Have you ever asked your children to sing the lyrics (or write them) to their favorite songs?
7. Do you ever think that some things just aren't funny to God?
8. What does he mean by "there must not be a hint of sexual immorality?"

Ephesians 5:5

9. Why should we put these things off?
10. How does God classify sexual sins?

Ephesians 5:6,7

11. What does it mean that their words are empty? What are examples of empty words?

Ephesians 5:8-10

12. What question is the Christian constantly asking the Lord/the Bible?
13. Some farmers died in blizzards as they walked from the barn to the farmhouse. Why?

Ephesians 5:11-14

14. The verb at the end of verse 11 is a legal word for a trial. It is emphasizing three things: *Expose*, *Convict*, *Reprove*. Why do we need to speak out against the fruitless deeds of darkness?

15. A/D Living as a Christian isn't always to bring others to faith.

16. What happens if Christians don't live as light?

Ephesians 5:15-20

17. What does *foolish* mean in verse 17? What does *understand* mean?

18. When are you drunk?

19. What is one way to be filled with the Spirit?

Ephesians 5:21

20. To whom is Paul speaking?

What does submit mean? (see passages below)

Why do it?

Ephesians 4:2-3 ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Philippians 2:3-5 ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴ Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

John 13:12-17 ¹² When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

Mark 10:42-45 ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

III. A word to wives

Ephesians 5:22-24

IV. A word to husbands

Ephesians 5:25-33