




NOVEMBER

DAILY READINGS

Welcome to our November 2023 reading plan! We are diving deeply into the book of Ephesians this year and as we navigate it we are exploring different passages of the Bible that increase our understanding of the Gospel and how it's truth affects how we live day to day. Before you read each day meditate on Ephesians 5:31-32 , pray for one person to know Christ  and pray for one person to grow in Him .

Memorization & Meditation:

“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.” – Ephesians 5:31-32

WEEK 1

- [November 1] Ephesians 5:15-21 | As you read this passage one more time, what is the Lord highlighting? Why do you think that stands out to you today?
- [2] Mark 13:9-11 | When we talk about being filled with the Holy Spirit (as in Eph. 5), this is one of the ways He can work in our lives! Reflect upon a time when you felt like the Spirit gave you words to speak. What was that like?
- [3] Acts 13:1-3 | The Holy Spirit spoke to the body of believers at Antioch while they were worshipping and fasting. Why do you think they were more attuned to the Holy Spirit in that moment?
- [4] Spend some time sitting quietly in God's Presence today. Invite the Holy Spirit to speak to you and just wait quietly. If you hear anything or get any pictures in your mind or impressions or feelings, write those down.

WEEK 2

Sunday, November 5th

- [6] Ephesians 5:22-33 | What stands out to you as you read this passage this week?
- [7] Ephesians 5:22-24 | How does the Gospel change the way a wife should interact with her husband?
- [8] Ephesians 5:25-29 | How does the Gospel change the way a husband should interact with his wife?
- [9] Ephesians 5:29-30 | What do you think it means to be members of Christ's body? How can we nourish and cherish that body the way we would our own physical body?
- [10] Ephesians 5:31-32 | Why is marriage a profound mystery, according to Paul?
- [11] Spend some time in prayer today praying for your own marriage and/or the marriages of the people in your life.

WEEK 3

Sunday, November 12th

- [13] Ephesians 5:22-33 | What stands out to you as you read this passage this week?
- [14] Ephesians 5:22-24 | How do we submit to Christ as His church? What does that look like in your daily life?
- [15] Ephesians 5:25-30 | How do we experience Christ's love as His church? What does that look like in your daily life?
- [16] Ephesians 4:1-3 | How can these verses from earlier in Ephesians carry through and inform the way husbands and wives love and respect each other?

- [17] Ephesians 5:31-32 | Why do you think God chose Christian marriage to be a living picture of Christ and the church?
- [18] Spend some time in prayer today asking Jesus to give us a greater desire to submit to His will and asking Him for a greater understanding of His love toward us.

WEEK 4

Sunday, November 19th

- [20] Ephesians 5:22-33 | What stands out to you as you read this passage this week?
- [21] Ephesians 5:22-29 | This passage comes right after the one that tells us to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Why do we need the Holy Spirit to help us live out these marriage callings?
- [22] Ephesians 5:31-33 | Given your understanding of spiritual warfare, why do you think Christian marriage and non-Christian marriage have the same average divorce rate?
- [23] Revelation 19:1-16 | All marriage on earth is ultimately pointing to the marriage of Jesus to the church in heaven. What does it look like to prepare ourselves for our groom while we're here on Earth?
- [24] Revelation 21:1-22:5 | How does this picture of heaven and perfect unity with Christ contrast with our current experience as believers here on earth?
- [25] Spend some time in prayer today and ask the Holy Spirit to fill you to overflowing, so that you can live out your calling to love, serve, and submit, both to your spouse if you are married, and to the Lord and the believers around you whether you are married or not.

WEEK 5

Sunday, November 26th

- [27] Isaiah 9:6-7 | Advent means, “the arrival of a notable person, thing, or event.” Spend some time in prayer today considering how you and your family will prepare your hearts to celebrate the “arrival” of Jesus Christ this advent season.
- [28] Galatians 4:4-5 | What do you think this passage means when it says, “when the fullness of time had come” ?
- [29] Micah 5:2 | Why do you think God chose to send Jesus to be born in Bethlehem versus a grander location?
- [30] Matthew 1:18-25 | How do you think you would have responded if you were Joseph in this situation?



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