Text: Ephesians 5:15-21

Topics: Holy Spirit, Will of God, Wisdom

Ephesians: When Faith is Strong, But the Fire Isn't

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About Your Walk...

I. How You're Living (15-16)

Apply yourself to wise living!

II. What You're Learning (17)

Apply yourself to <u>understanding</u> the <u>will of God!</u>

III. Who You're Led By (21)

Apply yourself to the <u>Spirit-filled life!</u>

Align your daily life with the Lord's provision!

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.

- 1. What do you think is the hardest part of living the Christian life daily? Why?
- 2. Read Proverbs 1:1-7. What do these verses say about gaining wisdom?

What consequences for ignoring wisdom are given in Proverbs 1:29-32?

How does Solomon tell his readers to gain wisdom in Proverbs 2:1-12? What reasons does he give for pursuing wisdom?

In what area of your life would you like more wisdom? What would it take to get it?

3. How would you define God's will for your life? What Scripture would you use?

Read Paul's prayer for the Colossian believers in Colossians 1:9-12. Of the things he prays for them, which would you most like for your life? Why?

What step can you take to cooperate with the Holy Spirit to grow you in this area?

4. In Colossians 3:16-24 Paul gives instructions on worship, family, and work life. What motivation does he repeatedly urge them to have? Why?

What other motivations compete with this motivation?

How do you, or how can you, cultivate the motivation Paul speaks about?

5. What is the main application of this study, and/or Ephesians 5:15-21 and the sermon, for you?