

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. What are the “two sets of threes” in Ephesians 5:3-4? Take a minute to define each term?
2. What is Paul emphasizing when he says, “But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you?” What is his motivation for making this statement?
3. What was the world like for the Ephesian saints that required Paul's concrete exhortations against sexual sin and greed? How is our context the same?
4. What is covetousness/greed? Are you surprised that Paul coupled covetousness/greed with sexual sin in his exhortations?
5. What warnings does Paul offer to those who are engaged in these sins?
6. What are Paul's remedies for fighting against the “unfruitful works of darkness?” List as many remedies as you can identify. What do they have in common? What hope do they bring?
7. How does the short hymn in 5:14 offer hope in Christ?
8. In your own life, where are you tempted to hide deeds of darkness? How is the Holy Spirit at work in exposing these deeds of darkness? What steps must you take in His power to walk as children of light? Are you willing?