

MOORPARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LENT SERIES STUDY GUIDE

Sermon Discussion Questions for [Ephesians 5:1-2, 8-17](#)
6th Week [3/11/18]

1. Open your group time with a brief prayer, inviting God's Spirit to lead you.
2. Start by practicing "Lectio Divina" (prayerful reading). Ask everyone to close their eyes while you read [Ephesians 5:1-2, 8-17](#) out loud. Ask everyone to LISTEN for the words and phrases that speak to them.
3. Ask everyone to share what most spoke to them.
4. Focus on verses 1-2. What is Paul calling us to here? What does "following God's example and walking in the way of love, just as Christ loves us and gave himself up for us" look like? (Look at [Ephesians 4:30-32](#) and [Philippians 2:5-8](#))
5. Focus on verse 8-14. What does "living as children of light" look like? See [Galatians 5:19-21](#).
6. Focus on verses 15-17. Paul uses two words to emphasize our work of "walking in light and not in darkness" ("Be watchful" & "be careful"). What is Paul saying? Why the great urgency?
7. Share with one another you're journey out of darkness and into light. Where are you in your journey? How are you vulnerable to slipping back into the ways of darkness?
8. Pray for one another related to all this passage calls us to, and all you've shared.

For next week: Prayerfully live with [Ephesians 5:21-6:9](#) so you can come to our next meeting ready to share what God has said to you.