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EPHESIANS 5:1-21

5 For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not become partners with them; 8 for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.

EPHESIANS 5:1-21

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EPHESIANS 5:1-21

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Wake Up!

Ephesians 5:1-21



METAMORPHOSIS

- Metamorphosis is a Greek word meaning **TRANSFORMATION** or **TRANSFIGURATION**.
- Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed (Metamorphosis) by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.



METAMORPHOSIS

How does METAMORPHOSIS occur in our Christian lives?

1. Put Off (4:22)
2. Think Differently (4:23)
3. Put On (4:24)

Ephesians 4:22-24

22 to **put off** your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, 23 and to be **renewed in the spirit of your minds**, 24 and to **put on** the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.



PROCESS OF SANCTIFICATION

- Sanctification: The process of being made holy or set apart for particular use in a special purpose or work
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Ephesians 5:14b







**GOOD MORNING!
IT'S TIME TO WAKE UP**



**Waking up
before
7 Am
should
be
illegal.**

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SLEEP

- Sleep (noun): a condition of body and mind in which the voluntary system is relatively inactive



SLEEPY CHRISTIANS

- not aware
 - numb
 - careless and unconcerned
 - dazed and dreamy
 - trance or coma
 - living in darkness
- stupor: great diminution or suspension of sensibility; suppression of sense; numbness. Intellectual insensibility; moral stupidity; heedless was or in attention to ones interests.



BEWARE!

*You can get in such a place...
where things you love and care about
you don't pay attention to anymore!!*



WAKE UP
CALL!

CULTURE IN EPHESUS

- Prominence of Idolatry: The temple of Diana (Artemis), one of the seven wonders of the ancient world
- Rich often did not work and were prone to idleness, sexual Immorality, crude Talk, and drunkenness



CULTURE IN EPHESUS

- **Danger of Syncretism:** the combination of different forms of belief or practice
- Temptation to carry over previous beliefs/lifestyle into their new identity



“
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Ephesians 5:14b



AWAKE!

AWAKE, O SLEEPER (V1-6)

- A Call to Love
- A Call to Purity

EPHESIANS 5:1-6

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AWAKE!

AWAKE, O SLEEPER (V1-6)

- A Call to HEAVENLY Love
- A Call to SEXUAL Purity



ARISE!

AND ARISE FROM THE DEAD (V7-14)

- A Call to Speech
- A Call to Life

EPHESIANS 5:7-14

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ARISE!

AND ARISE FROM THE DEAD (V7-14)

- A Call to GRACIOUS Speech (v4)
- A Call to Life

EPHESIANS 5:3-4

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ARISE!

AND RISE FROM THE DEAD (V7-14)

- A Call to GRACIOUS Speech
- A Call to RESURRECTION Life

EPHESIANS 5:7-14

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SHINE!

AND CHRIST WILL SHINE ON YOU (V15-21)

- A Call to Living
- A Call to Biblical Community

EPHESIANS 5:15-21

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WAKE UP!

AND CHRIST WILL SHINE ON YOU (V15-21)

- A Call to KINGDOM Living
- A Call to AUTHENTIC Biblical Community

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WAKE UP
CALL!



GOD'S WAKE UP CALL

Wake up, _____!

Wake up, _____!

Wake up, _____!

_____ is _____!



GOD'S WAKE UP CALL

Wake up, CHURCH!

Wake up, WORLD!

Wake up, (YOUR NAME)!

JESUS is COMING!

REVELATION 2:1-7

2 "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands. 2 **I know your deeds**, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. 3 You have persevered and have **endured hardships for my name**, and have not grown weary.

REVELATION 2:1-7

4 Yet I hold this against you: **You have forsaken the love you had at first.** 5 Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. 6 But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.



AWAKE! ARISE! CHRIST WILL SHINE!

How are we to live as Christians?

- Our faith is at stake
- Let no one deceive you



AWAKE! ARISE! CHRIST WILL SHINE!

1. Are we in a spiritual coma?
2. Are we partaking in darkness?
3. Are we walking in sexual purity?
4. How is our speech?
5. How are we using our time?



AWAKE! ARISE! CHRIST WILL SHINE!

- **Bring a Friend:** Invite Someone Into Your Crazy Little World
- **Be a Friend:** Enter Into Someone's Crazy Little World

REVELATION 2:7

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*“ Pain insists upon being attended to.
God whispers to us in our pleasures,
speaks in our conscience,
but shouts in our pain:
it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world. ”*

“The Problem of Pain” – C.S. Lewis



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Ephesians 5:14b



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