

“SAINTS WHO SHINE”
Ephesians 5:3-14

We are not to be of the world, but in the world. Easier said than done, huh? How do you know if you are *in* the world enough? Or how do you know if you are too much *of* the world? Hmmm. Can't we just stay in the attic?

I. TRANSFORMED _____ 3-6

A. Pure _____

B. Pure _____

C. Pure _____

II. TRANSFORMING _____ 7-14

A. The Light of _____

B. The Light of _____

C. The Light of _____

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Contrast Ephesians 5:1-2 with 5:3-4. What differences do you see? Which pair of verses best describes what the world tends to imitate? Which pair describes what you are imitating?
2. How does the world often respond to a biblical view of sexuality? How does the world attempt to conform us into their view? How do you protect yourself from the world's deception?
3. How do you normally respond when office chatter turns to coarse, sexual humor? Can you think of a response that would arouse curiosity as opposed to expressing condemnation?
4. As believers our identity in Christ is characterized as light. After reviewing your week, how much of your activity could be characterized as light? What, if anything, will you do different this week?



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QUESTION FROM THE PASTOR

How has following Jesus Christ impacted your marriage?

HOW HAS FOLLOWING JESUS CHRIST IMPACTED YOUR MARRIAGE?

- Minimally
- Moderately
- Radically

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I. TRANSFORMED LIVING

A. Pure LIFE

B. Pure LIPS

C. Pure LOGIC

Ephesians 5:3-7

65,000 Number of Sexual References
Broadcast every year

14,000 Number of Sexual References
Viewed by Average Viewer

70% Percentage of TV Shows that
Feature Sexual Content

6.7 Number of Sexual References
Viewed per Hour

“The impact of television viewing is so large that even a moderate shift in the sexual content of adolescent TV watching could have a substantial effect on the sexual behavior of adolescents.

Journal of the American
Academy of Pediatrics

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II. TRANSFORMING LIGHT

A. The Light of IDENTITY

Ephesians 5:8-11

Preach the gospel at all times.
If necessary, use words.”

St. Francis Asissi

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II. TRANSFORMING LIGHT

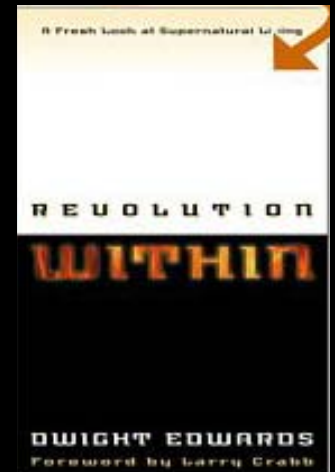
A. The Light of IDENTITY

B. The Light of INTRIGUE

Ephesians 5:11-12

“God’s highest agenda for our lives is not that they be simply good, moral, and responsible, but that they be spiritually intriguing, even mystifying. God wants us ‘conformed to the image of His Son,’ as Paul says, and a Christlike life is one that puzzles, attracts, disrupts, entices, enrages, comforts, rebukes, and most of all, radically loves those around it. It’s a life that will provoke others to a new contemplation of God.”

Dwight Edwards



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II. TRANSFORMING LIGHT

A. The Light of IDENTITY

B. The Light of INTRIGUE

C. The Light of INFLUENCE

Ephesians 5:13-14