

**DELIVER US FROM EVIL**  
THE FIGHT ON EVERY FRONT

Part 5

**“OUT OF THE DARKNESS AND INTO THE LIGHT”**  
**“How to Live In Evil Days as Kingdoms Collide”**  
**(Ephesians 5:3-17)**

**INTRODUCTION:**

“For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,...”

—Colossians 1:13

“We know that we are of God, and that the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.”

—1 John 5:19

“Jesus answered, ‘My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm.”

—John 18:36

- The Kingdom of God involves 4 Elements: the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_.

**1A. THE EXHORTATION: WALK IN \_\_\_\_\_, FOR THERE IS NO \_\_\_\_\_ FOR IMPURITY IN THE LIFE OF THE FOLLOWER OF CHRIST. (v. 3-4)**

“But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.”

**2A. THE EXPLANATION:**

**1B. ...because impurity has no \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 5)**

“For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.”

“Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,<sup>20</sup> nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.”

—1 Corinthians 6:9, 10

2B. ...because impurity is in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 6)

“Let no one deceive you with empty words, **for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.**”

“**For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness** of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness...”

—Romans 1:18

“But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in **the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God...**”

—Romans 2:5

3B. ...because impurity is in the \_\_\_\_\_ for God's \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 7-14)

“Therefore do not be partakers with them; **for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light** <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), <sup>10</sup> trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> **Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them;** <sup>12</sup> for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret. <sup>13</sup> But all things become visible when they are exposed by the light, for everything that becomes visible is light. <sup>14</sup> For this reason it says,

“Awake, sleeper,  
And arise from the dead,  
And Christ will shine on you.”

1C. We have a new \_\_\_\_\_ : To \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ above all else.

2C. We have a new \_\_\_\_\_ : To \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ in a dark world.

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#### CONCLUSION:

“Therefore **be careful how you walk**, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because **the days are evil**. So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.”

—Ephesians 5:15-17