

SERMON NOTES

Date: September 13, 2020

Series: God's Riches

Title: Walk as Children of Light

Text: Ephesians 5:7-14

Big Idea: Because God is light, we who believe are to walk as children of light.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

Read 1 John 5:5-7 and Ephesians 5:7-15. What do these passages have in common?

What do the following passages say about light and darkness?

- John 1:5
- John 8:12
- 2 Corinthians 6:14
- 1 Peter 2:9

APPLY THE TRUTH

What influences or activities cast too much shade on your life and limit your fruitfulness for the Lord?

What do you need to do to open up more opportunities for light to shine on you and increase your spiritual productivity?

Think through the five ways you can expose unfruitful works of darkness in your own heart (see it, confess it, starve it, uproot it, replace it). Which one is most difficult for you? Explain why.

How does the gospel give you the courage to confess and forsake your sin?

How can you reflect the light of Christ in your home, neighborhood, work, or school?

Is there another Christian you can partner with to shine a more excellent light than you could on your own? How would this be practically helpful?

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Spend time with the Lord this week absorbing his light so that you can shine on others. Be prepared to share what you learned and how you saw God at work.