

“Light-like”?

Ephesians 5:7-10; 4:17-24
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Introduction

- Moral and spiritual decline in our world
- We are fast becoming a “post Christian” nation.
- Jesus Christ as the *“light of the world”*
- You and I as the *“light of the world”*

“Light-like”?

A. As we separate from the world! Ephesians 5:3-7

1. World’s perverted view of “LOVE”—“LUST”
 - a. Works—fornication, uncleanness, covetousness
 - b. Words—filthiness, foolish talk, jesting
2. Need to be different from the world—Ephesians 5:3
3. Does not mean isolation, but insulation—1 Corinthians 5:9-10

B. As we develop “Light-like” character qualities!

1. Our focus is to be on personal holiness—1 Pet. 1:15-16
2. Separation from the world without corresponding development of personal holiness produces external religious legalism and internal, self-righteous hypocrisy! Case in point: The Pharisees
 - a. Separatists and legalists
 - b. Failed to develop internal holiness—Matt. 23:25-28
 - c. Hypocrites