

# Ephesians 5:15-21

## *Walking in Wisdom*

- > We are told in [verses 15-16](#) to walk (live) carefully, using our time wisely. Looking at the previous verses ([vv. 8-14](#)), why do you think we are told this? Being careful to live as Christ would live (in the light), and taking opportunities to show Christ to others is important in a day and age when people so desperately need Him.
- > Wisdom is linked with knowing the will of the Lord ([v. 17](#)). How do we know what the Lord's will is? The Lord reveals to us His will in the pages of Scripture. The Bible tells us how to live.
- > What does being "filled with the Spirit" refer to? Being led and controlled by the Holy Spirit.
- > What are the results listed in [verses 19-21](#) that happen when someone is filled with the Spirit? Communicating with one another and the Lord through songs, having a thankful attitude in all things, and being willing to submitting to each other.

## *Application*

When we are controlled by the Holy Spirit to live according to godly wisdom, we find God's will being fulfilled in our lives.

- > How would you define the word "wisdom"? Knowing what is the best action to take in any circumstance and doing it!
- > Read [Proverbs 4:1-13](#). What does this teach about wisdom? Wisdom is something we should seek; it must be cherished; it should direct our lives; it brings blessings.

Wisdom is not held in high regard today. It has taken a back-seat to other pursuits such as success, popularity, making a lot of money, etc. But the ability to make wise choices is essential if we are to avoid the pitfalls that bring pain and heartache to so many people. Look at the choices you make, in what areas do you need to practice better wisdom?