

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

June 5, 2016 8:30 & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann
Piano Wendy Baldwin
Announcements Ron Mock

MEDITATION

Ephesians 5:6-14 "Walking in Light" opposite page

Doxology
Scripture Reading and Prayer Psalm 139
Congregational singing led by Nate Wolfe
Communion
Pastoral Prayer
Message "Jesus' Graduation Message"
John 16:12-33 Pastor Cal VanderMey
Closing Hymn
Benediction

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday 6:30-8pm. Ages 8 and up
Bible study Tues at 7pm on Eschatology-Study of End Times- Ernie Beck
No Precept class on Tuesday with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm
Wednesday June 8th at 6:30pm VBS Meeting
No Precept study Thursday at 9:15am. – Hosea- Margaret Was
Thursday at 10am Ladies Bible Fellowship led by Elsa Peters
Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell leading
Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz
The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary

BFC Multipurpose/Utility Building \$31,400 to build-received \$16,865
Missions Corner: Looking for "Soft Toothbrushes" to go with the
102,568 tubes of toothpaste! Wow!

See Louise Bellefeuille and Lois Seidel

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not be partakers with them. ⁸For you were once darkness, but now *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), ¹⁰finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. ¹¹And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. ¹³But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. ¹⁴Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

Having spoken of the responsibility of the Christian to walk in love, he turns now to a related idea--that the Christian is to walk in light.

The sins mentioned in verses 3-5 are now seen in verse six as basically being defined as disobedience. In his holiness God cannot be pleased with evil practices, and his displeasure will be outpoured.

In verses 7-8, Paul states that we should walk like free people for we are through Christ living in the light of the Lord. Christians should not share in the darkness that characterizes unbelievers. Verse 9 speaks of the fruit that will be produced by a life that walks in the light. Goodness, righteousness, and truth—all attributes of God—will be manifested by those who walk in the light. The words in verse 11 "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness" means to stop having anything in common with that which characterizes darkness. One reason that the world hates and persecutes the church is that the world does not want their deeds exposed to the light. Eliminating the light is much easier than giving up the darkness.

The Old Testament is summoned in verse 14 to remind us that we must arise out of sleep to take the message of the light to a dark world. Let the world see that you worship God and proclaim the light by gathering with believers on the Lord's Day. When people ask what are you doing for the weekend, let them know you are going to the house of the Lord.