"WALK AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT" Ephesians 5:8-14

INTRODUCTION:

In today's message, we will focus on imitating God by "Walking as Children of Light" (v. 8).

o "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:" (Eph 5:8).

This message focuses on three aspects of Believers Walking as Children of Light:

- I. THE CALL TO WALK AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT (v. 8)
 - A. Embracing the Identity of Children of Light
 - B. The Contrast between Light and Darkness (vv. 8a, 8b; Eph 2:1-4, 10; 1 Pet 2:9)
- II. CHARACTERISTICS OF WALKING AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT (v. 9)
 - A. Children of Light exhibit the Fruit of the Spirit (v. 9a; Gal 5:22-23)
 - Love Joy Peace Long-Suffering Gentleness Goodness Faith Meekness
 Temperance
 - **B.** Children of Light Pursue Righteousness (v. 9b; 2 Cor 5:21)
 - C. Be True Toward God, Yourself and Others (v. 9c; Matt 5:37; 1 Thess 4:12)
- III. THE IMPACT OF WALKING AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT (vv. 10-14)
 - A. Pleasing God (v. 10)
 - **B. Light Proves Things** (v. 10 -12; 1 Thess 5:21; Heb 13:16)
 - C. Light Reveals and Convicts all that it Touches (v. 13; John 3:20; 2 Cor 5:17)
 - **D.** Believers are to Influence Others to Turn Away from sin and Embrace the Light (v. 14).

CONCLUSION:

- A. We reviewed three aspects of Believers Walking as Children of Light: The Call, The Characteristics and The Impact of Walking as Children of Light.
- B. Lord, let me be a shining light in all I say and do May Your great love be seen in me, and lead someone to You.
- C. The Light of the World is Jesus

The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin, The Light of the world is Jesus! Like sunshine at noonday, His glory shone in; The Light of the world is Jesus! Come to the light, 'tis shining for thee; Sweetly the light has dawned upon me; Once I was blind, but now I can see: The Light of the world is Jesus!

D. Romans Road (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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"... the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isa 40:8).