



# Sexuality - Closing the Gap

## Ephesians 5:3-14

*God's blessings in Christ have called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light.*

*Therefore we commit ourselves to controlling our bodies in holiness and honor.*

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*Walk as children of light and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.*

The darkness of sexual immorality  
described . . . 5:3-7

In terms of prohibited behaviors. 3

In terms of inappropriate talk 4

In terms of severe consequences. 5-7

Being light in a culture of sexual darkness  
explained: 5:8-14

*walk as children of light*

Light reveals how things really are.  
9-10

Romans 13:12-14

*The night is far gone; the day is at hand.*

*So then let us cast off the works of darkness  
and put on the armor of light.*

*Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in  
orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual  
immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling  
and jealousy.*

*But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no  
provisions for the flesh, to gratify its desires.*

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You will express appreciation for God's  
perspective of sexuality. 5:4

You will make careful decisions to  
please the Lord. 5:10

You will expose the barrenness of  
sexual darkness. 5:11-14

Tell God in humility that you are ready to listen to him and obey him regarding your sexual challenges.

Renew your commitment to the absolute joy and freedom of holiness and honor in sexual matters.

Ask for help.

Thank God for his calling you out of darkness into his marvelous light in Christ Jesus.

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*Send out your light and your truth;  
let them lead me;*

*Let them bring me to your holy hill  
and to your dwelling!*

*Then I will go to the altar of God,  
to God my exceeding joy,  
and I will praise you with the lyre,  
O God, my God.*

Psalm 43:3-4

