



(1) This is a difficult passage. Read Ephesians 5:1-14 and think about what parts of this text you imagine would be most uncomfortable for your friends and neighbors? Which parts of the next make you most uncomfortable?

(2) Verses 1-2: What does it mean to imitate God? How does Jesus enable us to live this out?

(3) Verses 3-4: What kind of speech is common to God's kingdom?

(4) Verses 5-7: What warning does Paul give in these verses? What is the connection between coveting and idolatry?

(5) Verses 8-14: Paul contrasts light with darkness to talk more about kingdom values. Why is it important to bring sin into the light? Do you have any relationships where you can do that? If not, why not?

(6) Why does Paul bookend this whole section with references to Christ and his work (v.1-2 and v.14)

Spiritual Exercise: Be intentional this week about thanksgiving (see v.4). Take a few moments before you go to bed each night to list 3-4 things that you are thankful for.