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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

16-142-49 Ephesians 4:29-5:5

GRIEVING THE HOLY SPIRIT

- 5:20 If Jesus, has not made a difference in how you live your life, then you do not know him.
- 8:00 Ephesians 4:29 We are not to use unwholesome talk, but rather build up (edify) those in our midst.
- 21:00 Ephesians 4:31 We are to put out all forms of bitterness and anger. Forgive others and ask for our own forgiveness. The Lord's prayer would instruct us that we will be forgiven only to the extent that we forgive others it is a conditional forgiveness.
- 30:00 Ephesians 5:3 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

One might ask why sexual immorality is linked with greed – well greed is the excessive desire to possess something for self satisfaction and that attitude usually is present in sexual immorality.

33:00 Ephesians 5:5 – For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person – such a man is an idolater – has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

A person's God is that thing which occupies the highest place in his life. If it is not the one true God then it is an idol.

46:00 – 52:30 Prayer for forgiveness and restoration.

- Eph. 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.
- Eph. 5:1 Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children 2 and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
- Eph. 5:3 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. 4 Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. 5 For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a man is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.