

# Ephesians 5:8-14

## Scripture Translations:

“For 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), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. 11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*. 12 For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. 13 But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. 14 Therefore He says: “Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light.”NKJV

## Key Words, Phrases & Definitions: (Use an online Greek dictionary to define these words)

- Darkness
- Light
- Acceptable
- Fellowship
- Unfruitful works
- Expose
- Manifest by the light
- Awake
- Sleep
- Arise

## Verse Re-write: (use back of paper)

### Questions:

1. As an apostle charged with bringing idol-worshipping pagans into the Kingdom of Christ, he acknowledges that they were once in the darkness, but now they are in the light. Is this crossing over from darkness to light an instantaneous transformation or a process? Explain.
2. According to the grace community, grace is so powerful one needs not live a disciplined lifestyle. Explain why Paul warns the Ephesians to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. Does he include the people as well?
3. How does one expose or bring light to the darkness?
4. Contrast today's passage with becoming a “NEW MAN” (Ephesians 4)
5. Given the entire letter to the Ephesians is mainly about keeping the body of Christ pure and holy, how does this passage affect that possibility if not heeded.

### Faith Declarations:

- Father, according to your divine plan, we declare that all things hidden in the darkness will be revealed in the light of your Son. We ask Holy Spirit to purge out the old leaven in all of us and make us a new lump, a holy body of believers and mature sons/daughters that are divinely joined and jointed together for your kingdom come.
- We also declare that the children of Yahweh will AWAKEN from their sleep and ARISE from the dead to shine the light of Yahshua's glory throughout the earth. We declare that every member of the body of Christ will continue to mature until it becomes a glorious bride for King Yahshua.
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