



Discovering Your Destiny

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Ephesians 5

“Discover Your Destiny:

- Each one of us has potential or destiny with God in every season of life

Ephesians 1:4 *For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight...*

- Some may feel that they have grieved the Holy Spirit; However, there is always mercy and grace for those who seek it.

1. Be Careful

Ephesians 5:8 *For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light...*

1 Corinthians 1:18 *For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.*

Ephesians 5:15-16 *Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.*

James 3:17 *But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.*

2. Be Filled

Ephesians 5:17-18 *Therefore do not be foolish but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit...*

Drugs	Holy Spirit
Bring false peace with strings	Peace that passes understanding
Artificial joy that does not last	Joy that lasts
Opens up the mind to all kinds of spiritual experiences that lead to bondage.	Produces communion with God
Receive false knowledge	Leads us to truth.
Alcohol is a recognised depressant	Holy Spirit is a stimulant.

- There are two things we need to know in living the Spirit-filled life:
 - a) Our position in Christ because of the cross and resurrection.
 - b) The power of the Holy Spirit

3. Be Joyful

Ephesians 5:19-20 ...speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 5:19bSing and make music from your heart to the Lord...

4. Be Thankful

Ephesians 5:20 ... *speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.*