



## Glorious church

Ephesians 5:25–27 (The Message)  
<sup>25</sup> *Husbands, go all out in your love for your wives, exactly as Christ did for the church—a love marked by **giving, not getting**.* <sup>26</sup> *Christ's love makes the church whole. His words evoke her beauty.*

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*Everything he does and says is designed to bring the best out of her, <sup>27</sup> dressing her in dazzling white silk, radiant with holiness.*

## Promised land

1. Giants
2. Loving people
3. Carrying the glory?

## Carrying the glory

Can My glory rest on you?  
Will we embrace the process?  
Behind the scenes victories

## Walk carefully

Ephesians 5:15–16 (AMP) <sup>15</sup> *Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but **as wise** (sensible, intelligent people),*

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<sup>16</sup> *Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil.*

## Follow God

Ephesians 5: 1-2 <sup>1</sup>***Follow God and imitate all he does in everything you do, for then you will represent your Father as his beloved sons and daughters.*** <sup>2</sup>***And continue to walk surrendered to the extravagant love of Christ,***

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*for he surrendered his life as a sacrifice for us. His great love for us was pleasing to God, like an aroma of adoration— a sweet healing fragrance in heaven and earth.*

## Areas of Corruption

Ephesians 5:3–4 (PT) ***This love has nothing to do with sexual immorality, lust, or greed— for you are his holy ones and let no one be able to accuse you of them in any form.***

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<sup>4</sup> ***Guard your speech.** Forsake obscenities and worthless insults; these are nonsensical words that bring disgrace and are unnecessary. Instead, let worship fill your heart and spill out in your words as you remind each other of God's goodness.*

## Areas of Corruption

- Sexual immorality & lust
- Greed
- Speech

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Ephesians 5:5 (PT) *5*For it has been made clear to you already that the kingdom of God cannot be accessed by anyone who is guilty of sexual sin, or who is impure or greedy— for greed is the essence of idolatry.

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*How could they expect to have an inheritance in Christ's kingdom while doing those things?*

## Walking in the light

Ephesians 5:8–10 (NLT) <sup>8</sup> For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. **So live as people of light!** <sup>9</sup> For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup> Carefully determine what pleases the Lord.

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1 John 1:5–7 (The Message) <sup>5</sup> This, in essence, is the message we heard from Christ and are passing on to you: God is light, pure light; there's not a trace of darkness in him. <sup>6</sup> If we claim that we experience a shared life with him and continue to stumble around in

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*the dark, we're obviously lying through our teeth*—we're not living what we claim. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, God himself being the light, we also experience a shared life with one another, as the sacrificed blood of Jesus, God's Son, purges all our sin.

