

SERMON NOTES

A SPLASH OF PURPOSE
EPHESIANS 5:8-14 | MAY 26, 2019
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Intro:

1. _____ as children of light. (8-10)

2. _____ no part in selfish sin. (11-14)

Conclusion:

WEEKLY READING PLAN:

Monday, May 27 // Acts 26:1-18

See the light, walk in light

Tuesday, May 28 // Acts 26:19-32

Proclaim the light

Wednesday, May 29 // Psalm 16:1-11

Fullness of joy with Him

Thursday, May 30 // Proverbs 1:7-23

The fear of the Lord

Friday, May 31 // Ephesians 5:15-21

A Splash of Wisdom

WEEKLY EVENTS:

**A full schedule is available on the final page of this bulletin.*

FUSE (5th-6th) / FUEL (7th-8th)

- Next Fuse & Fuel is May 29

IGNITE (9th-12th)

- Senior Last Ignite is May 26

RESONATE (18-22)

- Resonate Summer Kick-off is May 30

AMPLIFY (23-30+)

- Next Amplify is June 13

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage?

Encounter: Inform the Head / Stir the Heart

Please read Acts 26:4-18

1. Looking at vs 4-11, what observations can be made about Paul's life before he was saved and was walking in the light?

2. In vs 12-15, what did Paul see and hear? Why did that experience move Him from strict Pharisaical knowledge to salvation?

3. "It is hard for you to kick against the goads" was a Greek proverb...An ox goad was a stick with a pointed piece of iron on its tip used to prod the oxen when plowing. The farmer would poke the animal to steer it in the right direction. Sometimes the animal would rebel by kicking out at the poke or directing. How was Paul, as a Pharisee before being saved, "kicking against the goads" (vs 14)?

4. How do you "kick against the goads" with the Lord in your own life?

5. Looking at vs 16-18, what purposes were given by Christ for Paul's life?

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

6. Based upon these purposes, how would you now define “walking in the light” as we heard in Sunday’s sermon?

7. What is the difference between a moral life and “walking in the light”?

8. Knowing that God has the same basic purpose for all believers, what is the hardest part of this for you to live out?

Exalt: Worship your God

9. What from this passage impacts your view of God and His purpose for you?

ENGAGE: CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned from the study, or read in the passage, what actions/ focus do you need to pursue in order to draw closer to the Lord (i.e. Walking as children of light, and taking no part in selfish sin)?