Class #21



Heaven on Earth

Ephesians 5:6-8a

Q: What is the wrath of God?

Q: Have you ever experienced God's wrath?

Eph. 5:6-8a

Let no one deceive you with **empty words**, for because of these things **the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience**. ⁷ Therefore **do not become partners with them**; ⁸ for at one time you were darkness, but **now you are light in the Lord**. **Walk as children of light** ⁹ (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰ and **try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord**. ¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but **instead expose them**. ¹² For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³ But **when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible**, ¹⁴ for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." **(ESV)**

Q: What are the "empty words" Paul is warning us about? (vs. 6)

Q: Does God have a special dislike for people who disregard His sexual rules?

Q: What is the wrath of God? (Rom. 1:18-32)

Q: How can we become partners with sons of disobedience?

Q: Paul's reason for not partnering with sons of disobedience is that we are now "light in the Lord." What does that mean? (vs. 8a)

• (Eph. 2:1-2; 1Pet. 3:21-22)

What About You?

Q: When have you been deceived by "empty words"?

Q: Have you ever partnered with "sons of disobedience"?

Q: Do your words and actions strengthen or loosen the grip of the dark forces?