

TODAY'S SERMON:
ON VICES AND VIRTUES

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Ephesians 4:31-32
May 22, 2016



LIFE GROUP
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

If you are in a Life Group, take some time to answer these questions before your Life Group meets. Feel free to use a journal or separate sheet of paper if you need more space.

_____ **these** _____ **from your life (31)**

Remove _____

Remove _____

Remove _____

Remove _____

Remove _____

Remove _____

_____ **them with these** _____ **(32a)**

Become _____

Become _____

Become _____ **and** _____

The _____ **is God's** _____ **to us (32b)**

LOOKING CLOSER AT THE PASSAGE

31 How would you summarize the differences between the sins in this list?

Which of the sins listed in this verse do you struggle with the most?

What would be a biblical way to repent from that sin?

32 What are common ways we should express kindness and tender-heartedness to each other?

Should Christian forgiveness be immediate, or is it okay to wait until we feel like we are ready?

How does this verse relate to the idea of "tough love," or of church discipline?

Looking at the end of verse 28, what major changes occur in the heart of a repentant thief (particularly what they love and where their focus is)? What can we learn from this regardless of whether we struggle with stealing or not?

Looking back at this whole chapter, what has been the most encouraging or challenging thing for you personally?

STUDY QUESTION (Optional - time and desire allowing)

Read the following verses about forgiveness in the New Testament and create a biblical definition and practice for forgiveness from what you learn: Luke 7:42-43; 2 Corinthians 2:7, 10; Colossians 2:13; 3:13

MEMORIZATION CHALLENGE REMINDER

For those of you who have committed to memorizing the book of Ephesians, this is just a friendly reminder to keep at it!

READING PLAN: MAY 23-31

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23	<input type="checkbox"/> 23-25	<input type="checkbox"/> 28:1-14
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26	<input type="checkbox"/> Philippians	<input type="checkbox"/> 29:15-27
	2 Samuel	
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