



Engage Bible Study Guide

Session 14 | Ephesians 5:22-6:24 | December 7, 2020

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- What would you say are traditional Christian family values?
- In what ways have you felt under house arrest this year?

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- In 5:21, what comes to mind or what do you feel when you hear the word “submit”?
- Often in relationships where power is very unequal, there is little if any real language of connection (love, body, care). Instead, there is language of possession (mine, property, thing). How would you characterize your relationships? Is there more language of connection or possession?
- We often think of childrearing as a one-way relationship where adults take care of kids. This passage seems to suggest that it is much more reciprocal in the way that both parties can point one another to God. How would you say you have approached relationships with kids?
- Paul says in 6:9 “you both have the same Master in heaven.” How can we apply this verse to the strained relationships we have in our lives? Do you ever feel as though you have preferential status compared to someone else?
- This passage isn’t shy about letting us know that we are fighting a battle every day with forces that oppose God’s will for the world. How aware of this are you? How does that impact your day-to-day?
- When does Paul say to pray in verse 20? Considering the situation many of us find ourselves in today, what does that prayer sound like to you?

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- What family values does the passage encourage you to challenge today? What will you do next?
- How engaged in the battle are you regardless of your circumstances?