

Questions for Consideration—*With the Master In Heavenly Places*
Lesson 17 — The Wise Man in Contrast with the Foolish Man — Ephesians 5:15-20

1. (a) Read Ephesians 5:15-20 and list all the commands that you find. (b) Are you obeying these commands?
2. Memorize Ephesians 5:15, 16.
3. (a) In the following passages, who do you find giving thanks and what are they giving thanks for? Job 1; Psalm 34:1-6; Luke 17:11-16; Acts 5:40, 41; Philippians 1:3; and 2 Thessalonians 1:3. (b) Are you able to give thanks to God at all times, for all things and for all people? (c) How do you think as Christians we can cultivate being more thankful?
4. (a) Paul says in Ephesians 5:17 that we are not to be unwise but to understand what the will of the Lord is. What is the will of the Lord according to Ephesians chapter five alone? (b) How do you think we discern the will of God in our lives?
5. (a) According to the following verses, what should be the Christian's position on getting drunk? Proverbs 20:1; Proverbs 23:20-35; Isaiah 5:11-13; Habakkuk 2:15; 1 Corinthians 5:11; Romans 13:13; Ephesians 5:18; 1 Timothy 3:3, 8; Titus 1:7 and 2:3. (b) What was or will be the outcome of those who choose to get drunk, according to Genesis 9:20-29; Genesis 19:30-38; Deuteronomy 21:20, 21; Luke 21:34; 1 Corinthians 5:11; 1 Corinthians 6: 9, 10 and Galatians 5:19-21? (c) Do you think it is a sin to drink alcohol? (Prove your answer biblically.)
6. (a) Make note of the occasions, from the following verses, when God's people were singing or will be singing. Exodus 14:27-15:1; Judges 5:1-3; 2 Chronicles 30:21; Ezra 3:10,11; Nehemiah 12:27-42; Matthew 26: 26-30; Revelation 5: 8-10; Revelation 14:1-3. (b) What does this tell you about the importance of music for the Christian?
7. Would you say that you redeem the time? (For the brave, keep a log of a typical day or even a week of the things that you do.) Why do you think it is important for God's children to redeem the time, especially as the days are becoming more evil?
8. Choose one verse from Ephesians 5:15-20 to pray for yourself or someone else.