

Ephesians 5:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Analysis

[Verse 5:16 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 5 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 5 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 5:16 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?

2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

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| Redeeming | | the time | because | | the days | evil |
| G1805 | G3588 | G2540 | G3754 | G3588 | G2250 | G4190 |

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Additional Cross-References

Colossians 4:5 (Redemption): Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.

Amos 5:13 (Evil): Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is an evil time.

John 12:35 (Parallel theme): Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.

Ephesians 6:13 (Evil): Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Galatians 6:10 (Parallel theme): As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

Ecclesiastes 12:1 (Evil): Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

Romans 13:11 (Parallel theme): And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

Ecclesiastes 9:10 (Parallel theme): Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

1 Corinthians 7:26 (Parallel theme): I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, I say, that it is good for a man so to be.

Psalms 37:19 (Evil): They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

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