

Ephesians 5:3

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

Analysis

[Verse 5:3 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

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 5:3 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

πορνεία	δὲ	καὶ	πᾶσα	ἀκαθαρσία	ἢ	πλεονεξία	μηδὲ
fornication	and	But	all	uncleanness	or	covetousness	not be once
G4202	G1161	G2532	G3956	G167	G2228	G4124	G3366
όνομαζέσθω	ἐν	ὑμῖν	καθὼς	πρέπει	ἀγίοις		
let it	among	you	as	becometh	saints		
G3687	G1722	G5213	G2531	G4241	G40		

Additional Cross-References

Colossians 3:5 (Parallel theme): Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

Ephesians 5:5 (Parallel theme): For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

1 Corinthians 6:18 (Parallel theme): Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

1 Thessalonians 4:3 (Parallel theme): For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

1 Corinthians 6:13 (Parallel theme): Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.

1 Thessalonians 4:7 (Holy): For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

Ephesians 5:12 (Parallel theme): For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.

Matthew 15:19 (Parallel theme): For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

Revelation 2:21 (Parallel theme): And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

1 Corinthians 10:8 (Parallel theme): Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.