

Week of 2/27/22 Eph. 5:15-21 We Redeem the Time**The Bigger Picture:**

- During the last week of groups (w/o April 3) we are asking you to help your members take stock of their spiritual growth at home, at church and in the world. We will be using a *revised* version of the spiritual health self assessment we did together last spring. Here's the [original version](#) we did last spring AND we'll provide a devotional resource to help group members debrief their results! Stay tuned for more details.
- IF:Gathering is a two-day event for the women of RADIUS Church on Friday, March 4 from 6:45pm -10:30pm to Saturday, March 5 from 10am-5pm. Encourage your group members to sign up and attend!

This Week's Goals:

Spur joyful wisdom in the members of your small group.

Help members see how up to date and practical God's word is. The admonishment and encouragement in Eph. 5: 15-16 is as timely today as when Paul wrote it to the Ephesians.

Multiplication Moment:

See the prayer prompt below. Ask your apprentice, or a capable group member to lead Prayer time this week.

Leader Tips:

Plan to *make the most of your time* in the meeting this week. Do you have an overtalker that you need to call beforehand? Do you have an "undertalker" that you need to get more engaged in the discussion?

Share your tips!
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STORIES (15 min)**Sharing God Stories:**

Ask members to tell of a recent moment when God helped them make a wise decision, or saved them from a not-so-wise decision.

Get Talking:

Ask - what have been some of your highlights from the Ephesians series so far? Why?

Prayer: Transition from Stories to Scripture by asking someone to pray for your time in God's Word.

SCRIPTURE (45 min) - These are our Group Chat Questions for this week:

We are in the final home stretch of Ephesians. What has been your favorite part of the letter? Which sermon / Scripture has challenged you the most?

Our time on earth is short (the Bible calls our life a vapor). Have some fun sharing some "bucket list" things you would like to do!

On Sunday, we talked about the 5 F's. Which of the "F's" stood out the most to you? Is there a 90 day goal you would be willing to share?

When you consider your time and how you spend it, are there areas you would like to correct to "make the most of the time" as Paul challenged us to do in Ephesians 5?

PRAYER (20 min)

Prompt the group to pray in this way:

Praying over our plans and decisions is essential to growing in wisdom. Allow members to share prayer requests for future decisions or direction. Ask for volunteers to pair up and pray specifically for these needs throughout the week.