

# **A Picture of the New Life in Christ: Dependency and Hope**

## **Lesson 19: Ephesians 5:15 - 20**

The new life in Christ is filled with the Holy Spirit who enables believers to walk in wisdom and thankfulness to the glory of God.

### **I. Walking in wisdom**

#### A. Fears the Lord

1. Exalted view of God
2. Humility

#### B. Trusts the Lord

1. With His work
2. With His will

#### C. Obeys the Lord

1. How?
2. When?
3. Where?

### **II. Walking in praise and thanksgiving**

#### A. Past hope - assurance

#### B. Present hope - endurance

#### C. Future hope - joy

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Discuss #4 on page 169 in the homework.
2. How have you seen God work out His will in your life?

3. Is it easier to trust and obey God with major things or minor things?  
Why? How can we grow in our trust and obedience?