

Wisdom and the Spirit  
Ephesians 5:15-17

Overview of 5:15-21  
"Summary Climax"

*Be careful how you walk...*

- not as \_\_\_\_\_ but wise – making the best use of the time because the days are evil
- not as \_\_\_\_\_ but understanding the will of the Lord
- not as \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_, but filled with the Spirit
  - addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs
  - singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart
  - giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ
  - submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ

A careful walk includes:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ – *not as unwise, but wise* (15-16)

*"making the best use of the time" =*

A careful walk steers clear of ...

2. \_\_\_\_\_ – *do not be foolish but understanding what the will of the Lord is* (17)

a foolish view of the will of God

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a wise view of the will of God

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God gives His children the will to walk in His ways – not by revealing a series of next steps cloaked in shadows, but by giving us a heart to delight in His law.

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