

# Upgrade my life

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## Ephesians 5:3-7

<sup>3</sup> But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

**1. Upgrade my . . . . . 5:3**  
Faith is not something I believe. Faith is something I . . . . .  
Be holy because I the Lord am . . . . .  
Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:2, 20:7. 1Peter1:15-16

<sup>4</sup> Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. <sup>5</sup> For of this you can be sure: no immoral, impure or greedy person – such a person is an idolater – has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

**2. Upgrade my . . . . . 5:4-5**  
As a bird is known by its note, so is a man by his conversation.  
Worship with thanks. Ps.69:30,95:2,100:4  
Attitude of thanks. Eph.5:20, Phil.4:6, Col.3:17, 1Thess.5:18, Heb.13:15.  
Eat with thanks. Matt.15:36, Act.27:35  
Communion thanks. Luke 22:17,19

<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not be partners with them.

**3. Upgrade my . . . . . 5:6-7**  
Lord . . . . . the one he loves.Heb.12:6

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## My prayer priorities for this week

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### For personal reflection and discussion starters

1. Have you ever encountered a problem when upgrading your computer? Why do software companies produce upgrades?
2. What are some similarities and differences between upgrading my computer and upgrading my life?
3. Of the three personal upgrades: morals, mouth and mind, is it possible to upgrade one without the other two? Why or why not?
4. Our text said (in v3) "there should be not even a hint of... or any kind of...". Why do you think God is so adamant that we should strenuously avoid even the appearance of moral compromise?
5. We are God's holy people (v3). We are also told to be holy because God is holy (1 Peter 1:15-16). What is holiness and how do we do it?
6. I need some suggestions for asking a foul-mouthed person to tone down their language. What could I say to them?
7. Our conversation is to be marked by thanksgiving (v4). What are some contrasts between swearing and thanks? What are some advantages of using thanksgiving more often?
8. Why is wrath (v6) often seen as a contrast to love? How can I be both loving and wrathful?