



EPHESIANS 5, VS 1-20.

MELODY IN YOUR HEARTS, TO SING A HYMN, TO SING PRAISE, TO SING -
PSALMS SEE JAMES 5 V13. PRAISE TO GOD ALWAYS ACCOMPANIES SPIRITUAL
REVIVAL (PSALM 40 VS 1-3 PSALM 106 V12) JOB 35 V10 GOD IS MY MAKER WHO
GIVETH SONGS IN THE NIGHT (ACTS 16 V25)

V20 GIVING THANKS - ALWAYS FOR ALL THINGS - HOW VERY OPPOSITE TO THE NATURAL
MAN OF THE WORLD (ROMANS 1 NOTE V21 THE SIN OF MANKIND

THE SIN OF ISRAEL IN THE WILDERNESS (PSALM 106 V25)

SEE THE EXHORTATION IN 1 THESS 5 V23 ALSO EPHESIANS 1¹⁶ 5⁴ COL 1³
1¹² COL 3¹⁷ 4²

LASTLY. V21 SUBMITTING YOURSELVES ONE TO ANOTHER IN THE FEAR OF GOD

SO IN VS 19-21 PAUL GAVE 4 RESULTS OF BEING FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

1ST IS FELLOWSHIP OR COMMUNICATION WITH ONE ANOTHER WITH PSALMS, HYMNS, I.E.

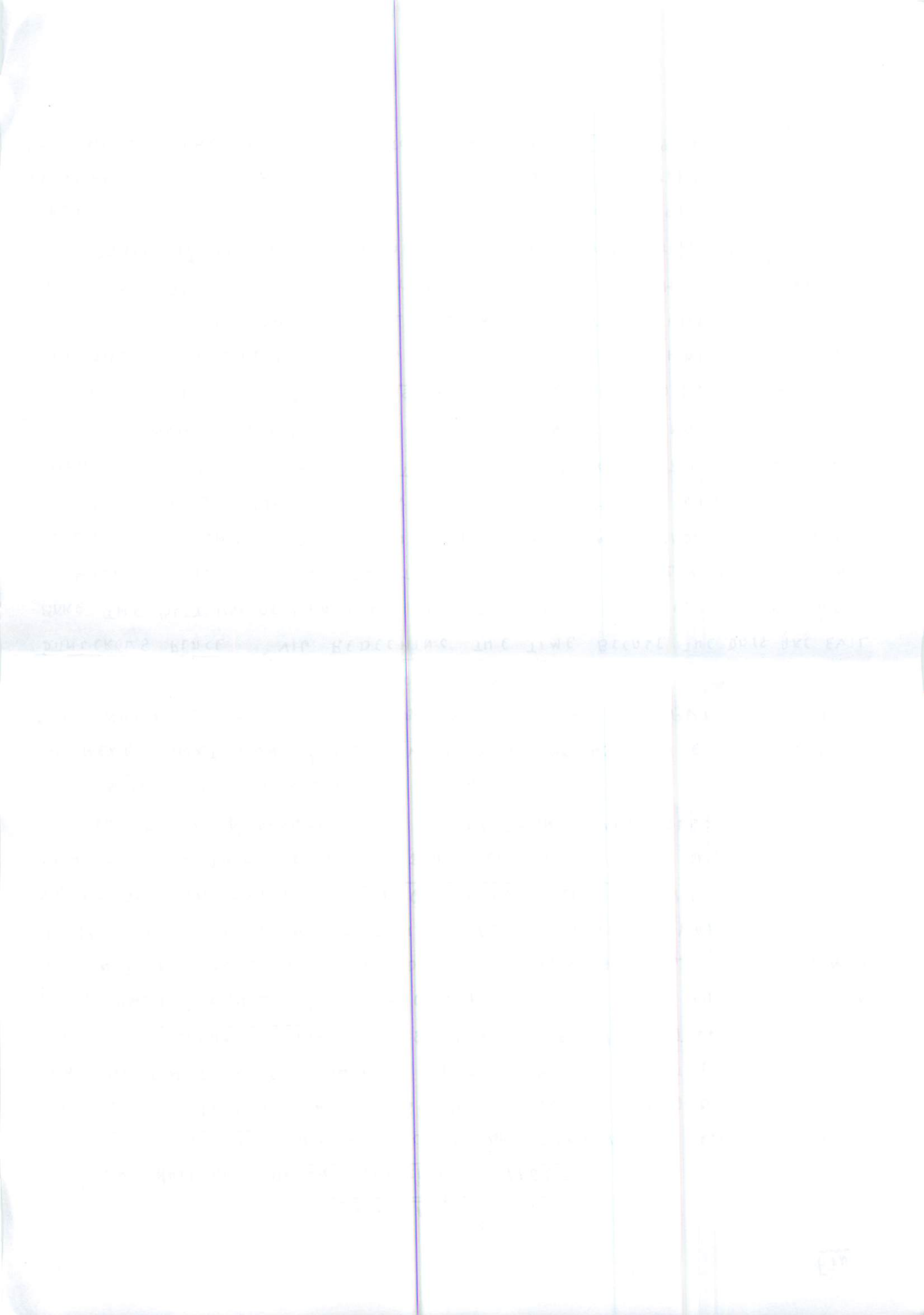
HYMNS COMPOSED BY CHRISTIANS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS A GENERAL TERM.

2ND FELLOWSHIP OR COMMUNICATION WITH THE LORD BY SINGING AND MAKING

MELODY. CHURCH MUSIC THEN SHOULD BE A MEANS OF BELIEVERS MINISTERING TO
EACH OTHER AND SINGING SHOULD BE A MEANS OF WORSHIPPING THE LORD

3RD. IS THANKING GOD THE FATHER (C.F. 1²⁻³⁻¹² 3¹⁴) CONTINUALLY FOR ALL
THINGS (C.F. COL 3¹⁷. 1 THESS 5¹⁸)

4THLY. SPIRIT CONTROLLED BELIEVERS ARE SUBMIT TO ONE ANOTHER
WILLINGLY SERVING OTHERS AND BEING UNDER THEM RATHER THAN DOM-
-INATING THEM AND EXALTING THEMSELVES, (TOTALLY OPPOSITE TO
THE NATURAL MAN OF THIS WORLD (LOOK AT JOHN CH13.)



EPHESIANS 5. vs 1-20.NOW WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF LIGHT?

1. LIGHT REVEALS 13. (NOTE REPROVED OR ARE DISCOVERED. ILLUSTRATION SEE ISAIAH 6. HE SAW HIMSELF - SO WE SEE WHAT WE ARE AND WE SEE WHY GOD SENT HIS SON TO BE OUR SAVIOUR THAT WE MIGHT BE FITTED FOR HEAVEN'S LIGHT)
2. LIGHT DIVIDES GENESIS 1 vs 1-15. NOTE JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (JOHN 8 v12) AND WHEREVER JESUS WENT HE CAUSED DIVISION. NOTE IN JOHN'S GOSPEL JESUS CAUSED THREE DIVISIONS. 7 v43. HIS PERSON DID. 9 v16. HIS WORKS OR MIRACLES DID. 10 v19 AND HIS WORD DID. IT IS EXACTLY THE SAME TODAY.
3. LIGHT BRINGS LIFE JOHN 8 v12 ALSO CH1 vs 4, 5. (2 MAJOR THEMES OF JOHN'S GOSPEL ARE LIGHT AND LIFE)
3. LIGHT BRINGS RESPONSIBILITY. SEE JOHN 3. v19 ALSO CH12 v35. THIS IS CONNECTED WITH EPHESIANS 5 v14.
- VIS NEXT EXHORTATION. LIVE AS WISE MEN - NOT AS UNWISE - LIKE SENSIBLE MEN, NOT LIKE SIMPLETONS (NEB) NOT THOUGHTLESSLY BUT THOUGHTFULLY (WMC) CIRCUMSPECTLY (SPURGEON'S ILLUSTRATION) THE WORLD IS A VERY DANGEROUS PLACE v16. REDEEMING THE TIME BECAUSE THE DAYS ARE EVIL. MAKE THE BEST USE OF YOUR TIME DESPITE THE DIFFICULTIES. HOW THE WORLD IS FULL OF THINGS TO SEE AND TO DO THAT DO NOT REALLY MATTER IN THE LIGHT OF ETERNITY. T.V. RADIO. TELEPHONE. MATERIALISM. (WMC 12) PLEASURES ETC). NOTE WE HAVE ALL THE TIME TO DO WHAT WE REALLY WANT TO DO (ILLUSTRATION TWO LOVERS) LOOK WHAT PEOPLE DO FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY. (1 TIMOTHY 6 v10) PHILTRANS. FOR LOVING MONEY LEADS TO ALL KINDS OF EVIL.
- V17. WHAT IS TRUE WISDOM? IS UNDERSTANDING WHAT THE WILL OF THE LORD IS FOR YOUR LIFE. DEVIL TRIES TO THWART THAT AND LEAD US TO DO OUR OWN SELF WILL. SO WE NEED THE SPIRIT OF GOD AND THE WORD OF GOD TO SHOW US, CORRECT, AND GUIDE US. PSALM 119 v9. VII v67. NOTE PSALM 17 v4. V18 2 COMMANDS ARE HERE 1ST NEGATIVE 2ND POSITIVE BE TAKEN OVER BY GOD BUT WE DO NOT LOSE SELF-CONTROL. 1ST DEBASEES YOUR PERSONALITY THE OTHER ENHANCES IT. (GREEK BE BEING FILLED. COLOSSIANS 3 v16. FOR THE WORD AND THE SPIRIT GO TOGETHER. RESULT V19 SINGING, MAKING

EPHESIANS CH 5 vs 1-20

V1. BE YE THEREFORE FOLLOWERS OF GOD AS DEAR CHILDREN. THE WORD FOLLOWERS IS IN THE GREEK - MIMETES (IMITATOR) OR MIMIC. WE ARE CHILDREN OF GOD (JOHN 1¹²)

AND AS IT IS NATURAL FOR CHILDREN TO IMITATE OR COPY THEIR PARENTS, SO WE AS THE CHILDREN OF OUR HEAVENLY FATHER MUST SEEK TO IMITATE HIM

SO AS GOD IS LOVE (1ST JOHN 4 v 8) THEREFORE WALK IN LOVE (EPHESIANS 5 v 2)

SO AS GOD IS LIGHT (1ST JOHN 1 v 5) " " " LIGHT (EPHESIANS 5 v 8)

SO AS GOD IS WISDOM (JUDE 1 v 25) " " WISELY OR CIRCUMSPECTLY OR CAREFULLY OR WISELY (EPHESIANS 5 v 15-17) THIS EXHORTATION IS IN DIRECT CONTRAST TO V17 IN CH 4.

V2 PAUL COMPARES CHRIST'S SACRIFICE ON THE CROSS TO THE OLD TESTAMENT SWEET SAVOUR OFFERINGS (LEVITICUS, 19. 13. 17. 2¹⁹) NOTE THERE WERE FIVE DIFFERENT KINDS OF OFFERINGS 1, BURNT OFFERING. MEAL OFFERING BEING SWEET SAVOUR OFFERINGS TYPEFYING CHRIST'S DEVOTION TO GOD EVEN TO THE POINT OF HIS OBEDIENCE TO THE DEATH OF THE CROSS, WHILE THE MEAL OFFERING TYPEFYED HIS EARTHLY LIFE WHICH SO DELIGHTED HIS FATHER (MATT 3 v 17)

SO WALK IN LOVE AS CHRIST HAS LOVED US JOHN 13 v 34. 1 JOHN 3 v 16. 1 JOHN 4 v 10-11. ALSO JOHN'S GOSPEL 15. v 12. 13. EPHESIANS 5 v 3-7. NOTE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT IN NUMBERS 5 EVERY LEPER TO BE PUT OUT OF THE CAMP - REASON FOR GOD WAS HOLY - SO TODAY ALL FORMS OF SIN MUST BE PUT AWAY IF WE WOULD WALK IN LOVE WITH GOD - SEE AMOS 3 v 3. FOR GOD IS NOT COMING DOWN TO OUR LEVEL - HE SEEKING TO BRING US UP TO HIS

LEVEL PARENTS ARE GRIEVED WHEN THEIR CHILDREN GO ASTRAY, SO WE ARE NOT TO GRIEVE THE HOLY SPIRIT (EPHESIANS 4 v 30)

VS 6. 7. DO NOT BE DECEIVED WITH EMPTY WORDS. I.E. FALSE TEACHERS HAD COME INTO THE EARLY CHURCH (2 PETER 2. v 1-3) SOME TAUGHT IT DID NOT MATTER WHAT YOU DID WITH YOUR BODY - YOUR SPIRIT ALONE MATTERED BUT THE BIBLE CORRECTS THIS HERE AS ALSO IN 1 COR 6 v 19 OUR BODIES ARE THE TEMPLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT SO ROMANS 12 v 1 GOD WANTS YOUR BODY. VS 8. DARKNESS VERSUS LIGHT - THEIR FORMER LIFE AS HEATHEN WAS CERTAINLY DARKNESS - BUT NOW ARE YE LIGHT IN THE LORD. SEE ALSO COLOSSIANS 1 v 12. 13 HE MAKES US FIT FOR HEAVEN. (LIGHT)