

For Further Study:

"Raising Modern Day Knights" by Robert Lewis

"Bringing up Boys/Girls" by James Dobson

"Created for Work" by Bob Shultz

"Your Work Matters to God" Sherman and Hendricks

<http://open.biola.edu/collections/leadership-lecture-series>

Small Group Questions:

1. What have you learned about the "house-codes" of the Roman world? How does understanding this backdrop help you understand what Paul is teaching here?
2. How would Paul's teachings about the Christian households have been conspicuous to the recipients of this letter? What made the biggest impression upon you?
3. Pastor Eric has been using the phrase "Under the influence" to describe Christians at every stage of life who are being filled with the Holy Spirit. What is the consistent influence of the Holy Spirit in each of these relationships mentioned in Eph. 5:22-6:9?
4. If you could ask Paul a question about the application of these teachings, what would it be?
5. How does the life of Jesus help illustrate the principles taught above? Does his example help you apply them?
6. Are you being filled by the Holy Spirit? Are you withholding any areas of your life from His influence? If so, how can we help each other continue to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

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"Under the Influence" (Part 2) Ephesians 6:1-9 (NIV)

1. **Spirit-filled Children are _____ to their parents**
 - a. Young children, obeying your parents is a matter of _____
 - b. Older children continue to _____ your parents
2. **Spirit-filled Fathers don't _____ their kids**
 - a. Spirit-filled fathers are _____
 - b. Spirit-filled fathers _____ their kids
3. **Spirit-filled workers serve with _____**
 - a. _____ supervisors as obeying the Lord
 - b. Serve for the Lord's _____
4. **Spirit-filled employers _____ with care**
 - a. We serve the same _____
 - b. We will all be _____ to him

T _____ about the Lord as you go
R _____ the scriptures with them
A _____ them to pray
I _____ them to serve with you
N _____ stop growing