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Making sense of yourself & the world you live in.

## Week 8: You Only Live Once

**Primary Passage:** Ephesians 5:8-17

Related Passages: 1 Corinthians 15:29-32, Psalm 90:12,

Ephesians 2:10

"Ordinary life is food and work and chairs by the fire and hugs and dancing and mountains - this world. God loves it so much that he gave his only Son so we - and the rest of this ordinary world – could be redeemed and made perfect. And that's what is in store for us...So live in the light of the resurrection and renewal of this world, and of yourself, in a glorious, never-ending, joyful dance of grace."

- Tim Keller

## **LifeGroup Study Guide:**

Read and Recap: Have someone read Ephesians 5:8-17 and recap the highlights from this week's sermon.

Where have you seen a "YOLO" philosophy influencing yourself or the people around you? Consider negative and positive examples.

Reread Ephesians 5:11-16. Paul contrasts being lured to sleep by the fruitless deeds of darkness and being awakened to a life of kingdom intentionality by the light of Christ.

- What sinful patterns and morally neutral distractions lure you toward a sleepy, apathetic life?
- How are you cultivating a mindset that seeks to "make the most of every opportunity" God gives you?

Read Romans 8:18. How does the promise of eternity fill our lives with both hope and purpose?

Pray that our church family continues to press into the hope of eternity with Jesus.

Pray that our eternal hope leads us to leverage our time and possessions no matter the cost.