

In My Life This Week

(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

Monday. Read 4:17-32. A godly lifestyle, includes truthful speech. Define “falsehood” (25). Paul instructs us to send falsehood on a one-way trip out of our lives and establish truth as an absolute monarch. Are there areas, ways, specific things in which you struggle with truthfulness? Be specific. Make a commitment to be a person of truth.

Tuesday. A godly lifestyle is marked by speech that builds, encourages and strengthens others (verses 29 & 31). Note the negatives: unwholesome, clamor, slander. Now note the positives in verse 29 (this is a good verse to memorize). Review the past week. How much of your speech was not edifying and grace-giving? Confess any unwholesome speech to God, and also to those who heard those words.

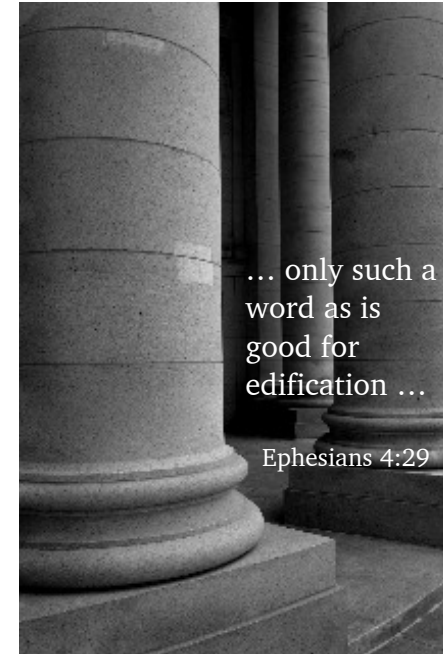
Wednesday. A godly lifestyle also includes sin-free anger. What is anger? Is it always wrong to be angry? Is God ever angry? Check the outline for a starting point and then, with the help of a concordance or other tools, check the Bible to see the things that anger God and what makes His anger righteous. How much of your anger is *righteous* anger?

Thursday. Sinful anger is very destructive. Review verses 26, 27, 31 and then James 1:19-20. In what ways does our sinful anger give Satan an opportunity (27)? Have you given Satan and his forces opportunities in this last week by sinful anger?

Friday – Saturday. Sunday we will look at the last three marks of a godly lifestyle here in 4:25-32. Read through these verses in preparation for our time together.

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