

Ephesians 5:3~ Let fornication and uncleanness of every sort, or greediness,¹ not even be mentioned among you, just as it befits holy people.

Footnote: Or, covetousness Literally, having more that is, a desire to have more; insatiableness Greek, *ple·o·ne·xi'a*

1· Also, in a way that befits holy people, things such as fornication, uncleanness, and greediness, should not even be mentioned among them. Therefore gossiping about wicked things or mentioning the faults of others, backbiting and criticism, are inappropriate in the anointed congregation of God.

[Question] What things should not even be mentioned among holy people?

[Question] What things then, would always be inappropriate within the congregation?

2· Perhaps, when I come again, my God might humiliate me **among** you, and I might mourn over many of those who formerly sinned, but have not repented over their **uncleanness** and **fornication** and loose conduct, that they have practiced. (**2 Corinthians 12:21**)

[Question] Why did Paul hold off from visiting the Corinthian congregation, until what things could be straightened out?

3· But now I am writing you, to quit mixing in company with anyone called a brother, that is a fornicator, or a greedy person, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, not **even** eating with such a man. (**1 Corinthians 5:11**)

[Question] Who should anointed Christians quit mixing in company with, among their brothers, if they are doing what things?

4· Deadened, therefore, your body members that are upon the earth as respects **fornication**, **uncleanness**, sexual appetite, hurtful desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. (**Colossians 3:5**)

[Question] What should anointed Christians deaden their body members upon the earth to?

5· For this is what God wills, the sanctifying of you, that you abstain from **fornication**. (**1 Thessalonians 4:3**)

[Question] What is God's will for anointed Christians?

- 6· Later Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father's nakedness, and went telling it to his two brothers outside. (**Genesis 9:22**)

[Question] What did Ham fail to cover up, that led to a curse for him?

- 7· What, then, shall we say? Is the Law sin? Never may that become so! Really I would not have come to know sin, if it had not been for the Law. For example, I would not have known covetousness, if the Law had not said. You must not covet. (**Romans 7:7**)

[Question] What did the Law Covenant teach Paul, about what sin is?

- 8· Actually **fornication** is reported **among** you, and such **fornication** as is not **even among** the nations, that a wife a certain man has of his father. (**1 Corinthians 5:1**)

[Question] What conditions were there in Corinth, that had to be corrected?

- 9· Now the works of the flesh are manifest, and they are **fornication, uncleanness**, loose conduct, idolatry, practice of spiritism, enmities, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, contentions, divisions, sects, envies, drunken bouts, revelries, and things like these. As to these things I am forewarning you, the same way as I did forewarn you, that those who practice such things will not inherit God's kingdom. (**Galatians 5:19-21**)

[Question] What are some of the works of the flesh?

[Question] What will the end be, of those practicing them?