Don't Grieve the Holy Spirit! Ephesians 4:30-32

I. Introduction

II. Do Not Grieve the Holy Spirit of God. v. 30

- A. The Holy Spirit dwells on the inside of every true Christian. (Eph. 1:13; 4:3; John 16:13; 15:26; 16:8-11)
- B. You grieve the Holy Spirit every time you sin! (Matt. 26:37, Is. 63:8-11, 1 Thess. 5:19)

III. You Have Been Sealed by the Spirit Until the Day of Redemption. v. 30b

- A. You are sealed and protected by the Spirit. v. 30b (Eph. 1:13-14, 2 Cor. 1:21-22, Matt. 27:66)
- B. Jesus will return on that great day of redemption. v. 30b (Eph. 1:7, 14; Rom. 8:23, Rom. 8:11, 23; 1 Jn. 3:2)

IV. Put Away Sinful Anger and Speech. v. 31

- A. Beware of the deceptive progression of sin. v. 31 (1 John 1:29, 3:5; Matt. 5:21; Matt. 25:6; Ps. 50:20; 1 Peter 4:8)
- B. These sins are provoked by selfishness and thinking more highly of yourself than you ought. (Eph. 2:18, 22; 4:3)

V. <u>Cultivate a Compassionate, Forgiving Spirit. v. 32</u>

- A. Be kind and tenderhearted to one another. v. 32 (Rom. 2:4, Lk. 6:35, Col. 3:12-13)
- B. Your supreme motivation is that God has forgiven you. v. 32b (Matt 18:21ff)

VI. Conclusion / Application