

# Growth Group Discussion Guide

## Week of June 2, 2019

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### **A WHOLE NEW WORLD**

**Our Scripture: Ephesians 5:8-14**

### **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

What is your silliest fear?

What did you always want to try but never found the courage to do?

### **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. What do you think Paul means when he talks about darkness and light in this passage?
2. Scholars are not exactly sure what Paul is referencing in verse 14. Maybe it is an ancient hymn? Maybe it is Scripture (See: Isaiah 60:1-3 or Jonah 1:6). Read these two verses and discuss what this text may mean to you.

### **MEDIA MIX**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qniwl2hNhDs>

Watch this (fun) video with sheep, lights, and some (creative) shepherds. How does watching light in this video impact what you think of this passage's discussion of light and darkness? Of Jesus as light?

### **TAKING IT HOME**

1. Verse 11 instructs us to not only avoid works of darkness but also to expose them. What do you think this means? How do you see the Church doing this? How do you see the Church falling short? What are some ways as Atonement that we can expose works of darkness?

## **PRAYER REQUESTS and PRAYER TIME**

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Based upon your discussion in “Taking it Home,” pray for people who are harmed by works of darkness or for ways you can be called to serve as children of light.

## **Housekeeping**

1. Who is bringing treats next week?
2. Do you want to gather again before the Fall Growth Group series?