

Introduction

- What is the theme of Ephesians 5:1-21?
- What do v1-7 speak about?
- What do v8-14 speak about?
- What do v15-21 speak about?

i Imitating God (v1)

- What are incommunicable characteristics of God?
- Give two examples of incommunicable characteristics of God.
- What are communicable characteristics of God?
- Give some examples of communicable characteristics of God.
- Which words give us the key to being able to imitate God?
- If we are really going to imitate God, however, what must we do?
- How much is that true of you?

ii Imitating Christ (v2)

- What is the basic commandment of v2?
- Why does Paul use his “walking” metaphor?
- Who provides the model of love which we are to follow?
- What did Christ do for us because of his love for us?

- What is an example of an Old Testament verse which describes an old covenant offering as a “pleasing aroma to the Lord”?
 - What does that actually mean?
 - What is Paul saying about how Christ relates to the old covenant sacrifices?
 - How pleased was God the Father with Christ’s sacrifice?
 - What does this show about the Godhead?
 - What must you do with Christ’s sacrifice?
 - What sort of love are Christians to show each other, then?
 - Though we may be called to make the ultimate sacrifice for another Christian, what are three areas where we should expect to make sacrifices every day?
 - (i)
 - (ii)
 - (iii)
 - Are you someone who is ready to do that?
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