

Ephesians

Be Imitators of God

Ephesians 5:1-20

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Introduction:

- Last week we deepened our conversation about the Old Self/New Self.
 - We talked about the things that needed to be removed:
 - Lying, Anger, Rage, Bitterness, Brawling, Stealing, Slander, and Malice.
 - Any of these things or other sins can give the Devil a foothold in our lives.
 - Why the push to get them out of our lives?
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1. Imitate God:

- a. **Ephesians 5:1-7**
- b. **Ephesians 4:24**
- c. **Ephesians 5:2**
- d. **Romans 12:1-2**
- e. Eric Liddell – Scottish 1924 Olympian – Christian Missionary to China
- f. **1st Samuel 2:30**
- g. **Matthew 6:33**
- h. Our priorities matter in life.
- i. Greek – **Mimetes** (*Me-May-Tase*) ... English – **Imitate** ... “*A person who copies the words or behavior of another.*”
- j. **Matthew 5:48**
- k. **Leviticus 19:2**
- l. **1st Peter 1:15-16**
- m. But among you there must not even be a hint of:
 1. Sexual Immorality, any kind of Impurity
 1. Greek – **Pornia** ... English – **Sexual Immorality** ... “*Sexual acts that are morally objectionable, especially related to prostitution.*”
From this word we also get the English word – Pornography.
 2. Greek – **Akatharsia** (*A-Kath-R-See-A*) ... English – **Impurity** ... “*Immorality understood especially as dirty and impure when speaking of sexual acts.*”
 2. Greed – the desire for anything in excess.
- n. **Ephesians 5:5-7**
- o. **Matthew 7:21-23**
- p. **Ephesians 5:7**
- q. **Romans 1:32**

2. Children of Light:

- a. **Ephesians 5:8-14**
- b. **Ephesians 5:8-9**
- c. **1st Corinthians 6:9-11**
- d. **Matthew 5:14-16**
- e. No one has a light in a dark room, but does not turn it on.

3. Watch How You Live:

- a. **Ephesians 5:15-20**
- b. **1st Corinthians 11:1**
- c. Greek – **Asotia** (*Ah-So-Tea-A*) ... English – **Debauchery** ... “*Behavior which shows lack of concern or thought for the consequences of an action.*”