

Ephesians: Becoming Who You Are

Becoming Imitators

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Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read Ephesians 5:1-17.

What are some ways that a child imitates his or her parents?

Paul writes about three ways that a believer can imitate their Heavenly Father – walking in love, light, and wisdom. How have you experienced God’s love for you? His light in your life? His wisdom?

Practically speaking, what does it look like in your day to day living to walk in God’s love, His light, and His wisdom?

Why do you think Paul equates greed with idolatry? How does our culture tempt you toward greed?

What can you do to make sure you are walking wisely?

Paul’s overarching theme in Ephesians 4:17 – 5:17 is purity. How do these three walks relate to that theme? Which walk do you most need to work on in your life?

2. Read Ephesians 5:18-33.

What is one challenge to harmony that you face in your relationships?

What role does the Holy Spirit play in enabling us to live in harmony with others?

Why do you think Paul associates gratitude (v. 20) with being filled with the Spirit? How well are you practicing gratitude?

What does it mean to be submissive to another person?

What one thing could you do this week to promote harmony in your family?

3. Read Ephesians 6:1-9.

What reasons does Paul give for children to obey and honor their parents? What promise is given to those who follow this instruction?

What motivation does Paul give for masters (employers) to treat their servants (employees) well? How do these verses apply to your life in your role as either an employer or employee?

How will you imitate Christ and love like Jesus this week?