

Walk as Children of Light

Ephesians 5:1-11



Be Imitators of

God in that Walk

- “Therefore” may go back to **4:17**
- “Imitators”
- 1 Corinthians 4:16
- 1 Corinthians 11:1
- 1 Thessalonians 1:6
- 1 Thessalonians 2:14
- Hebrews 6:12



Walk in Love

- **This imitation is a walk of love**
- **As Christ loved us**
- **Gave himself up for us**
- **Fragrant offering and sacrifice to God**



Walk Properly among saints



- **“Proper”**—it is fitting, it is proper
- **1 Timothy 2:10**
- **Titus 2:1**
- **Must not even be named among you**
- **Section of verses 3-5 framed with the concept of “impurity”**

Let Talk match the Walk



- An emphasis on your kind of talking
- Let there not be named among you...continuation of this thought here
- Filthiness, foolish talk, crude joking
- These are out of place...not fitting, becoming
- Let all of this be **replaced with thanksgiving.**

Let Your walk be Pure



- You may be sure of this...Affirmation of spiritual certainty
- Sexually immoral needs to be replaced with an ethic of sexual morality grounded in Christ
- Impurity needs to be replaced with purity of words
- Coveteousness, idolatry needs to be replaced with a heart for God.

Let Your walk be Obedient



- Discerning what is pleasing to the Lord
- Notice it is not blind obedience
- Struggle to discernment process
- Obedience has fruit!

Do Not walk in Darkness



- Prior life described as one in darkness
- Do not become partners, take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness
- But instead expose them...How? And when? And to whom?

Conclusion

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