5 ¹Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³ But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. ⁴ Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.

⁵ For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a person is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. 7 Therefore do not be partners with them.

1. Live A Life Of Love

Eph. 5:1-7

8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) 10 and find out what pleases the Lord. 11 Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. 12 It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret.

1. Live A Life Of Love Eph. 5:1-7

2. Live As Children Of Light Eph. 5:8-12

¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. 18 Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, 19 speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, 20 always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1. Live A Life Of Love

Eph. 5:1-7

2. Live As Children Of Light

Eph. 5:8-14

3. Live Wisely

Eph. 5:15-20

²¹ Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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4. Live In Submission

Eph. 5:21

Philippians 3:5-6 (NIV)

⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

- ⁹⁷ Oh, how I love your <u>law!</u>
 I meditate on it all day long.
- 98 Your commands are always with me and make me wiser than my enemies.
- 99 I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your <u>statutes.</u>
- 100 I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey your <u>precepts.</u>
- 101 I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word.

102 I have not departed from your laws, for you yourself have taught me.
103 How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
104 I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path.

- ²¹ Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.
- ²² Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord
- ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her
- 6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right

- ⁴ Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord....
- ⁵ Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear....
- ⁹ And masters, treat your slaves in the same way.....