

Imitating God

1. Follow \_\_\_\_\_ in everything you do. 5:1

*as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." I Peter 1:15,16*

2. Walk in \_\_\_\_\_.

What dominated his mind was not the living but the giving of His life – John Stott

Your life becomes a fragrant aroma to God.

3. Dump the \_\_\_\_\_!

4. Walk as \_\_\_\_\_ women!

5. To understand, \_\_\_\_\_!!!!

## Small Group Questions

1. As a follower of Christ, do you tend to look around and evaluate your spiritual life based on others? And their behavior? Who does Paul say we should use as our standard in 5:1,2? How do you embrace His holiness our life in a practical day to day way? How do we “imitate God”? What aspects should we imitate?

2. In the past have you viewed rule following more important, or loving others?

And why? Why do you think Paul puts such an emphasis on love?

3. Share about the idea of our life being a “fragrant aroma to God”. Have you ever thought of your life becoming a fragrance pleasing to God?

4. Spend a little time sharing about some of the things Paul warns us against in vs. 3-6

A couple of you share about guard rails you use to prevent this behavior.

5. Being filled with the Spirit, is almost like daily breathing. Breathe out the impurity and sin and breathe in the spirit, absorb the spirit, fill yourself up with the Spirit. The Spirit works beyond ourselves and imparts the supernatural power of God.

Talk about the contrast between living in your own power vs. living “filled with the Spirit and constantly guided by Him”. Vs. 18-21.

What is a specific situation in your life right now that demands the power of God to lead you? It us an area you are unable to navigate on your own.