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We sit (your position in Christ)
We walk (your life & conduct)
We stand (your defense against
the enemy)



**I, therefore, the prisoner of
the Lord, beseech you to walk
worthy of the calling with
which you were called,**

EPHESIANS 4:1



**Therefore [not just in forgive-
ness] be imitators [mimics]
of God as dear children.**

EPHESIANS 5:1





Holiness

¹⁵but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy.”

1 Peter 1:15-16



Love

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

⁸He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1 John 4:7-8



Mercy and Forgiveness

**⁶Therefore be merciful,
just as your Father also
is merciful.**

Luke 6:36



Righteousness and Justice

⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.

1 John 3:7



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Philippians 2:5-7



[How are we to mimic God?]
And walk in love, as Christ also
has loved us and given Himself
for us, an offering and a
sacrifice to God for a
sweet-smelling aroma.

EPHESIANS 5:2



⁴ Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵ does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

I Corinthians 13:4-7



³⁷ Jesus said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’

Matthew 22:37-39



¹² I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 12:1-2



**But fornication and all
uncleanness or covetousness,
let it not even be named among
you, as is fitting for saints;**

EPHESIANS 5:3



**neither filthiness, nor foolish
talking, nor coarse jesting,
which are not fitting, but
rather giving of thanks.**

EPHESIANS 5:4



**For this you know, that no
fornicator, unclean person, nor
covetous man [what does God
call a covetous man?], who is
an idolater, has any inheritance
in the kingdom of Christ and
God.**

EPHESIANS 5:5



**⁵Therefore put to death
your members which are
on the earth: fornication,
uncleanness, passion, evil
desire, and covetousness,
which is idolatry.**

Colossians 3:5



Let no one deceive you with empty words [that is not backed up with a God imitating life], for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

EPHESIANS 5:6



**Therefore [separate
yourselves from them and]
do not be partakers with
them.**

EPHESIANS 5:7



¹⁴Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

2 Corinthians 6:14



**For you were once darkness
[not just in it], but now you are
[positionally] light in the Lord.
[now] Walk as children of light**

EPHESIANS 5:8



(for the fruit of the Spirit is
[found] in all goodness,
righteousness, and truth),

EPHESIANS 5:9



finding out [through
discovery] what is
acceptable to the Lord.

EPHESIANS 5:10



**And [starting with a negative]
have no fellowship with the
unfruitful works of darkness,
but rather expose them [by
being light and walking in
light].**

EPHESIANS 5:11



¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

John 3:19-20



²¹ But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.”

John 3:21



**For it is shameful even to
speak of those things which
are done by them in secret.**

EPHESIANS 5:12



**But all things that are
exposed are made manifest
by the light, for whatever
makes manifest is light.**

EPHESIANS 5:13



**Therefore He says: "Awake, you
who sleep [in darkness], Arise
from the dead, And Christ will
give you light."**

EPHESIANS 5:14



See then that you walk
circumspectly [carefully],
not as fools but as wise,

EPHESIANS 5:15



GET WISE

Surround yourself with mature Christians
Ask God for wisdom through prayer
Seek Jesus & imitate Him
Immerse yourself in the Word



**redeeming the time,
because the days are evil.**

EPHESIANS 5:16



**Therefore do not be unwise,
but understand what the
will of the Lord is.**

EPHESIANS 5:17



**And do not be [or stop being
drunk or controlled by] wine,
in which is dissipation [out of
control behavior]; but be filled
with [controlled by] the Spirit,**

EPHESIANS 5:18



[start with] speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

EPHESIANS 5:19



**[then proceed with] giving
thanks always for all things to
God the Father in the name of
our Lord Jesus Christ,**

EPHESIANS 5:20



**submitting [placing your-
selves under as a servant] to
one another in the fear of
[the attitude of submission
to] God.**

EPHESIANS 5:21

