**5 1**Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.   
 **2** And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,   
 a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

**3** But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness   
 must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints.   
 **4** Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking,   
 which are out of place,   
 but instead let there be thanksgiving.

**Commands in Ephesians 5:1-11**

* Be imitators of God (Eph 5:1)
* Walk in love (Eph 5:2)
* Do not let sexual sins be named among you (Eph 5:3)
* No coarse or inappropriate language (Eph 5:4)
* Let no one deceive you (Eph 5:6)
* Do not be partners with them   
  (Eph. 5:7)
* Walk as children of light (Eph. 5:8)
* Do not take part in the works of darkness (Eph. 5:11)
* Expose the works of darkness   
  (Eph. 5:11)

**5** For you may be sure of this,   
 that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure,   
 or who is covetous (that is, an idolater),   
 has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

**6** Let no one deceive you with empty words,   
 for because of these things the wrath of God   
 comes upon the sons of disobedience.   
 **7** Therefore do not become partners with them;   
 **8** for at one time you were darkness,   
 but now you are light in the Lord.   
 Walk as children of light   
 **9** (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true),   
 **10** and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.

**11** Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.   
 **12** For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret.   
 **13** But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible,   
 **14** for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper,  
 and arise from the dead,  
 and Christ will shine on you.”