

## Verse of the Week Eph 5:1-2

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***"Be imitators of God as beloved children. Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."***

What an extraordinary command that is!! "**BE IMITATORS OF GOD**"! Sadly, we can so easily focus our attention on it being impossible for us to obey such a great command. which of course it is, **OF OURSELVES,**

However,

**IF**

, and I repeat,

**IF**

, we walk in the God-given ability to love, which we're told of in

**Rom 5:5**

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***God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit"***

, then, as long as we realise that scripture is not just talking about God's love

**FOR**

us, which in our selfishness we can so easily think, but is in fact, and much more importantly, talking about

**God's ability to love being POURED in our hearts,**

then, and only then, can we come to know just what a magnificent work the Father has done in us, through his Spirit, by courtesy of what the Lord Jesus did on Calvary.

**We can "*be imitators of God*"!!** After all, this new nature, which he has placed in those who have truly been reborn of his mighty Spirit, was created by him

***"in the likeness of God, in true righteousness and holiness"***

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**Eph 4:24**