

A SOLID FOUNDATION FOR A GREAT CHURCH

If God isn't your hero, your standard is too low
Ephesians 5:1-2

We are called to be _____ of God.

This is a powerful _____.

Deuteronomy 4:24

Hebrews 12:28-29

This is not a _____ but a command.

γίνομαι (*ginomai*): vb; _____, possess a certain characteristic, to

James Swanson, Dictionary of Biblical Languages With Semantic Domains : Greek (New Testament), electronic ed. (Oak Harbor: Logos Research Systems, Inc., 1997).

What does it mean to be an _____ of God?

“Imitator” is the Greek word is μιμητής (*mimētēs*)-to _____

1 Corinthians 11:1

There are certain aspects of God's _____ that we are supposed to mimic.

Luke 6:36

1 Peter 1:16

_____ should we be imitators of God?

Because we are His _____.

Ephesians 1:4c-5

Romans 8:15b

“_____” is a name for father that is reserved for his _____.

“A person takes the characteristics of the _____ to which he or she _____”

Kyle Snodgrass, The NIV Application Commentary on Ephesians: Zondervan.

3 John 11

_____ are we to be imitators of God?

Don't forget the key word “_____”

Ephesians 5:1

Ephesians 4:32

We are told to _____ God in _____ ways in this passage:

In _____

Matthew 18:21-35

Matthew 6:14-15

In _____

To _____ in love means to _____ a life of love.

Ephesians 5:2

1 John 4:8

God is _____ as love...if we do not love others we show that we do not truly _____ Him.

Our example is _____.

Ephesians 5:2

Jesus loved us and _____ Himself up for us.

Important word: καθώς (*kathōs*)-“_____”

καθώς (*kathōs*): adv.; to the degree that, _____.

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Philippians 2:5-8

Christians are _____ to love just as Christ loved.

You _____ practice true Christian _____ if you are not willing to _____.

John 3:16

Galatians 5:13

God was _____ with Jesus' death.

Leviticus 1:9b, 13b

“_____” refers to something presented to God

“_____” refers to something slain

God so _____ to restore His relationship with His elect that it _____ Him to have the body of Jesus Christ crushed, beaten, abused, destroyed.

The love of God is so great it is _____.

Ephesians 3:17-19

True Christians _____ themselves to be children of God through their _____ of His love.

John 15:14, 12

Answer these questions?

Would people _____ you as being forgiving and loving?

Do you consider others more _____ than yourself?

1 John 4:8-12