

The Art of Imitation

► **Text: Ephesians 5:1-2**

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

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- ▶ The practice of imitation is big business.
 - ▶ Make imitation money.
 - ▶ Counterfeiting
 - ▶ Make imitation clothing.
 - ▶ Make imitation food.
 - ▶ Imitation of other people.

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- ▶ The Greek word is “mimos” from whence we get mimic.
- ▶ Name somebody that you have attempted to imitate in the past?
 - ▶ Hairstyle
 - ▶ Clothing
 - ▶ Sports (Be like Mike)
- ▶ Paul tells us who we should be imitating.

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- ▶ Let's practice the art of imitating.....

Our Father in Heaven

- ▶ Eph. 5:1-2
- ▶ Matt. 5:9
- ▶ I Peter 1:13-17

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Jesus Christ our elder brother

- ▶ Eph. 5:2
- ▶ Heb. 2:11-12, 17
- ▶ Phil. 2:5
- ▶ How many of us wanted to be like older siblings.

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Paul

- ▶ I Cor. 4:16
- ▶ I Cor. 11:1
- ▶ Phil. 3:17