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*Wednesday GEL Group*

*Grow Encourage Learn*

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One of the aspects of comedy I like to observe are imitators. They use their voice and body language to portray the person they are imitating. Good imitators seem to be able to step out of themselves and step into a character which we then recognise. Can you think of a good imitator? Can you imitate someone else?

We also see imitation being used by children. Kids love to imitate older people. Some examples I have experienced are my daughter imitating me washing my car, cooking or gardening. Do we grow and learn by imitating someone?

When it comes to living a life of faith, are there some people you observe and imitate what they do? Do we pick up on the way they pray, how they serve or how they love? What do you think is the best example of God's love?

Let's read Ephesians 5:1-15 and see what Scripture can teach us.

1. What are the key points of verses 1 and 2?
2. What is improper for God's people in verse 3?
3. What else in verse 4? What are modern day examples of this?
4. What are the implications Paul is concerned with in verses 5-7?
5. How are we to live then? (8-11)

6. What does it mean and how do we expose fruitful deeds and not be judgemental at the same time? In other words, how do we live as children of God and not point judgemental fingers at other people's imperfections?
  
7. Discuss the implications of verse 13-14. How does this apply to us?
  
8. Discuss the wise ways we are to live. (15-16)
  
9. What are some of the ways we expose what Paul is asserting as well as live as children of light?
  
10. If we do this badly, is there a potential people will not get the sense that we love like God does and walk away?
  
11. Discuss how you have **grown** in tonight's study?
  
12. Is there something you have been **encouraged** with?
  
13. What have you **learnt**?
  
14. Let's pray together