

SERMON NOTES

WHO ARE YOU IMITATING?

1. TO THE WORLD?

1 Samuel 8:5 (RVR1960)

And they said to him, "Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways; therefore appoint for us now a king to judge us, like all the nations have."

1 Samuel 8:7 (RVR1960)

And the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them."

1 John 2:15 (RVR1960)

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.

1 John 2:16 (RVR1960)

For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.

1 John 2:17 (RVR1960)

The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

2 Timothy 3:16 (RVR1960)

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

2. To the Pharisees?

Matthew 23:3 (RVR1960)

So, observe and do everything they tell you; but do not do according to their works, for they say, but do not do.

Matthew 23:4 (RVR1960)

For they tie up heavy and cumbersome loads and put them on men's shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to lift a finger to move them.

3. TO THE APOSTLE PAUL?

1 Corinthians 11:1 (RVR1960)

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

A PREVIOUS VERSE: WHAT DOES PAUL SAY?

1 Corinthians 10:33 (RVR1960)

Just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, so that they may be saved.

THE EXAMPLE OF CHRIST

Philippians 2:5 (RVR1960)

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:6 (RVR1960)

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

Philippians 2:7 (RVR1960)

Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in human likeness;

Philippians 2:8 (RVR1960)

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

4. To Christ (God)?

Ephesians 5:1 (KJV)

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.

Ephesians 5:2 (KJV)

And walk in love, as Christ also loved us and gave himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a fragrant aroma.

HOW DO WE IMITATE CHRIST?

1. LOVE ONE ANOTHER

John 13:34 (RVR1960)

Love one another; as I have loved you, so you must love one another.

2. Forgive others

Matthew 6:14 (RVR1960)

For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

3. SERVE OTHERS

Mark 10:45 (RVR1960)

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

4. MAKE DISCIPLES

Matthew 28:19 (RVR1960)

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

5. FOLLOW THEIR EXAMPLE

John 13:15 (RVR1960)

For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.