

Questions for Consideration—*With the Master In Heavenly Places*
Lesson 15 — Imitators of God or Partakers of Sin? — Ephesians 5:1-7

1. (a) Read Ephesians 5:1-7 and make a list of the sins, as well as their definitions (you will need to look these up), that Paul mentions believers should have no part of. (b) According to these verses what should characterize our lives instead of these sins?
2. Memorize Ephesians 5:1, 2.
3. (a) What does Paul say that we should not be deceived about in Ephesians 5:5 and 6? (b) According to Matthew 24:3-5, 24; 1 Corinthians 6:9; Galatians 6:7, 8; Colossians 2:8, 9; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 and 1 John 1:8 what other things is it possible to be deceived about? (c) Why do you think the Scriptures have warnings about being deceived? (d) Has there been a time in your life in which you were deceived about something only later to find out that you were dead wrong?! What did you learn?
4. (a) According to Ephesians 5:2 Christ loved us so much that He gave Himself as an offering. Read Isaiah 53 and write down any observations you see regarding Christ's offering of Himself. (b) Since we are to walk in love as He did, how would this offering up of ourselves be fleshed out in our daily lives?
5. How can we protect our youth from violating Ephesians 5:3 and 4 in our culture where sexual innuendos and pictures flash before our eyes and ears?
6. In looking over your speech today or this past week can you honestly say that you have refrained from all foolish talking and coarse jesting? Have you partaken in the sexual sins of others by viewing them on television or in the theater or on the internet? What does God say about this from our text?
7. How do you handle conversations with others that are laced with foolish and filthy talk or coarse jesting? What do you do when something is being viewed (media) that has sexual overtones or sexual content? How have you obeyed what Paul says by not partaking of these things?
8. How has God the Spirit spoken to you through this lesson? What is your prayer request for your personal life? Please write it down to share.