## **Ephesians 5:1-7**

**1-2.** Therefore **be followers of God** as dear children. And **WALK IN LOVE**, as Christ also has loved us and GIVEN HIMSELF for us, an OFFERING and **a SACRIFICE to God for a sweet-smelling aroma**.

•	I John 2:6 "He who SAYS he abides in Him ( Jesus ) OUGHT himself also to just as He"
•	I Corinthians 13:4-7 "LOVE suffers long ( is patient ), and is; love does not, is not puffed up ( proud, arrogant, conceited ); does not behave itself, does not seek its own ( is not SELFISH ), is not provoked ( easily angered ); thinks no; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the; bears all things ( puts up with a lot ), believes all things, all things, endures all things."
	<b>Definition:</b> "a sweet-smelling aroma" - This refers to the sacrifices and incense used in the Old Testament worship of God. All of the Old Testament sacrifices and rituals were SYMBOLIC of Christ, and He is their fulfillment. (Colossians 2:16-17, Hebrews 9:1-14). When God was pleased with the Israelites' sacrifices, He would say it was a "sweet-smelling aroma." For us today, as Believers under the New Covenant (New Testament) the sacrifices that please God are the SACRIFICES of our PRAISE.
•	Read Hebrews 13:15-16 ( Verse ) 15 "Therefore by Him ( Jesus Christ ) let us continually the of to God, that is the of our , giving to His name."
	FORNICATION and all uncleanness or COVETOUSNESS, let it not even be named you, as is fitting for SAINTS;  I Thessalonians 4:3-7 "For this is the of, your sanctification: that you should abstain from ; that each of you should know how to ( keep ) his own vessel ( body ) in SANCTIFICATION and, not in
	and, like the Gentiles who defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is the of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. For God did not call us to, but in"
•	<b>Hebrews 13:4</b> "Marriage is honorable among all, and the [ marriage ] bed; but in"
•	I Corinthians 6:18-20 "Flee sexual immorality (fornication). Every sin that a man does is the body, but he who commits sins against his own Or do you not know that you is the of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were with a ; therefore glorify God in your and in your , which are God's."
•	Exodus 20:17 "You shall not your neighbor's , you shall not your neighbor's , nor his
	<b>Definition:</b> "FORNICATION" - ANY sexual intercourse other than between a man and woman married to each other.

**Definition:** "COVETOUSNESS" - GREED, craving for possessions, especially desiring things that belong to someone else.

**Definition:** "SANCTIFICATION" - HOLINESS, PURITY, being SET APART for God and His use. The word "SAINT" comes from the same word as "sanctified" in the Greek.

	ner FILTHINESS, nor FOOLISH TALKING, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but GIVING OF THANKS.
•	James 3:8-11 "But no man can tame the It is an unruly, full of deadly With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we men, who have been made in the similitude ( likeness ) of God. Out of the proceed blessings and My brethren, these things ought not be so. Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening?"  Hebrews 13:15 "Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of to God, that is the of our, giving to His name."  I Thessalonians 5:18 "In everything ; for this is the of God in Christ Jesus for"  II Timothy 2:16 "But shun ( turn away from ) profane ( impure, filthy ) and
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	I Corinthians 5:9-11 "I wrote to you in my epistle ( letter ) not to keep company with people. Yet I certainly did not mean the sexually immoral people of, or with the, or, or and, or a reviler, or a, or an not even to eat with such a person."  I Corinthians 6:9-11 "Do you know that the UNRIGHTEOUS will not the kingdom of God? Do not be, Neither, nor, nor, nor, nor revilers ( users of abusive language ), nor, will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were SOME OF YOU But you were, but you were, but you were, of our God."
	<b>Definition:</b> "COVETOUS man who is an IDOLATER" - IDOLATRY doesn't just mean bowing down to statues. If a person has an EXCESSIVE desire for material wealth and possession, those things have become their GOD, and they give all their TIME and ATTENTION and DEVOTION to acquiring those things, instead of to the Lord. <b>NOTE:</b> "And such were some of you" ( I Cor 6:11 ) - Paul is speaking to Christians here, showing us that the Church of Jesus Christ is made up of SINNERS!! However, it is only by the BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST that we are forgiven and CLEANSED of those sins. A person who has NOT trusted Jesus Christ for salvation and forgiveness of their sins has NO PART in the kingdom of God. Jesus said, "Unless a man is BORN AGAIN, he cannot [even] SEE the Kingdom of God." ( John 3:3 )
	o one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the <b>WRATH of</b> mes upon the <b>sons of disobedience</b> .
•	Read Romans 1:18-32 ( Verse 18 ) "For the of God is revealed from against all and of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness." ( Vs 29-32 ) "Being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, , maliciousness; full of , murder, strife, , evil mindedness; they are whisperers ( gossips ), backbiters, haters of God, , , to parents, undiscerning, , , unforgiving,

	, who, knowing the righteous of God, that THOSE WHO PRACTICE
	SUCH THINGS are WORTHY OF DEATH, not only do the same, but also APPROVE of those who practice them."
•	I Thessalonians 5:9 "For God did not appoint us to, but to obtain through our"
•	I Thessalonians 1:9-10 "For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you to God from to serve the and God, and to wait for His Son from , whom He from the , even Jesus who us from the to come.
	<b>Definition:</b> "SONS OF DISOBEDIENCE" - According to Ephesians 2:2, the "sons of disobedience: are UNBELIEVERS; those who are still under Satan's control, and have not been born again. In Ephesians 2:3 they are also called "children of WRATH." Since they have NOT accepted God's way of forgiveness for their sins, they have nothing to look forward to except the WRATH OF GOD and eternity in HELL. John 3:18 "He who believes in Him ( Jesus )is NOT; but he who does not believe is, because he has NOT believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."
<b>7.</b> The	refore, do not be PARTAKERS with them.
•	Read Revelation 18:1-10 ( Verse 4 ) "And I heard another voice from heaven saying, 'Come of her, , lest you SHARE in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues."
•	II Peter 1:4 "By which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious, that through these you may be of the divine nature, having the that is in the world through"
	<b>NOTE:</b> Rather being PARTAKERS in the SIN and CORRUPTION of this word, God allow us to be PARTAKERS of His DIVINE NATURE. Romans 6:17-18 "But God be thanked,

that though **you were** ( used to be ) **slaves of sins**, yet you **obeyed** from the heart that form of doctrine ( teaching ) that was delivered to you. And **having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness**."