## Ephesians 5:1 (Exegetical Study)

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In verses 1-13 we have three phases of God's Plan – three imperatives of grace. Grace in Salvation, Life and Death.

 $X\alpha\rho\dot{\iota}\varsigma$  – positional – Jesus bore our sins in His own body on the tree – He became our substitute and took our place – He satisfied (propitiated the Father) and provided reconciliation of man to God

Experiential – When we grow and mature, we are continually participating in Grace & Ultimate – in time, earthly life will end either by death or the rapture and the believer will be at home with the LJC in Heaven. Rev. 21:4 – "no more, pain, death, sorrow", etc.

Note: "Be ye" This is not "To BE" but "TO BECOME." We are not "DEAR Children." We are not even "Dear." WE have imperatives of GRACE here to be something we are not, and the "Middle" Voice says we will be greatly benefited by being something through GRACE WE ARE NOT "now." We need (1) Mind – renovated – renewed Relationship – Time Redeemed – Become mature! Comprehend ROYALTY! We are to become something we are not! These are verbs of command!