Love Like That "A Love Like Jesus" Ephesians 5:1-2 January 6, 2019 / Pastor Shawn

1-2 Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behavior from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.

Ephesians 5:1-2 (Message)

¹ Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1-2 (NIV)

In order to Love Like Jesus, we must:

1. Have the Love Jesus has

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²... just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2b (NIV)

2. Observe how Jesus Loves

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3. <u>Imitate</u>

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¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; ² and walk in love,... Ephesians 5:1,2 (NASB, NKJV)

5 RESULTS OF LOVING LIKE JESUS

1. WE BECOME MORE <u>MINDFUL</u> .	
2. WE BECOME MORE APPROACHABLE	
3. WE BECOME MORE GRACE-FULL .	
4. WE BECOME MORE BOLD .	
5. WE BECOME MORE SELF-GIVING	

Follow Up

(These are suggested ideas for processing Sunday's message and exploring what it means to "love like Jesus." Feel free to add your own ideas or tailor these ideas to best fit your group.)

1. Discuss the message

- a) What was your "A-Ha" from Sunday's message? Why?
- b) Of the three things Pastor Shawn outlined, which one(s) do you need to work on most? Why?
- 2. Complete the Application Workbook; Part 1, Session 1)