

## Week of 2/6/22 Eph. 5:1-5 We Imitate God

### The Bigger Picture:

- **Last Chance** to Sign up for Group Leader Training - Monday, Feb.7, 6:30PM at RADIUS Lexington. Bring your apprentice or a future group leader and learn how your group can give birth to healthy leaders - and new groups. Apprentices and potential group leaders are invited! RSVP and reserve childcare [HERE](#).
- **Valentines** Day and Super Bowl are coming up- these are great reasons to get the group - and guests - together for fun and connection. Let your Apprentice do the planning!
- Leaders need community too! Be on the lookout for more information about **Group Leader Huddles** - coming soon.

### This Week's Goals:

Explore what it means to be imitators of God.

Drill down on who God is AND what He does - so we can become more like Him!

Invite an apprentice or potential leader to Leader Training on Feb. 7

### Before You Meet:

Check out this article about problems that arise in small groups - sound depressing, but it's super helpful!

[Three Levels of Small Group Problems](#)

### Leader Tips:

Is your group ready to multiply at the end of the semester? If not - don't worry so much about the speed of multiplication - just be intentional now about praying and seeking the potential leader in your group.

## STORIES (15 min)

### Sharing God Stories:

Pull out the Story Cards again - ask this question: Which picture represents your view of God? Which picture represents an image bearer of God? OR give someone time to share their God story.

### Get Talking:

Ask the group, "In your own words, what does it mean for something to be 'in the image' of something else?"

**Prayer:** Transition from Stories to Scripture by asking someone to pray for your time in God's Word.

**SCRIPTURE (45 min) - These are our Group Chat Questions for this week:**

**In what way do you act just like your mom or dad? What do your kids do just like you? What do you do like God?**

**How do we know what God does?**

**Talk about a moment someone sacrificially loved you? Or you sacrificially love someone else? Worship Jesus through prayer for his loving sacrifice on the cross.**

**How did you relate to the list of things that God does not do?**

**PRAYER (20 min)**

Continue to worship in prayer using the ACTS model:

**Adore** - Use words or song to admire and adore God for His character

**Confess** - Speak the truth about yourself and ways you don't want to imitate God.

**Thanksgiving** - Thank Jesus for His sacrifice on the cross that reconciles us to God.

**Supplication** - Tell the truth about the needs in your life and God to meet those needs.