

Ephesians 5:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Analysis

[Verse 5:2 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 5 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 5 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 5:2 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

καὶ	περιπατεῖτε	ἐν	ἀγάπῃ	καθὼς	καὶ	ὁ	Χριστὸς
And	walk	in	love	as	And	G3588	Christ
G2532	G4043	G1722	G26	G2531	G2532		G5547
ἡγάπησεν	ἡμᾶς	καὶ	παρέδωκεν	ἑαυτὸν	ὑπὲρ	ἡμῶν	
hath loved	us	And	hath given	himself	for	us	
G25	G2248	G2532	G3860	G1438	G5228	G2257	
προσφορὰν	καὶ	θυσίαν	τῷ	θεῷ	εἰς	ὁσμὴν	εὐωδίας
an offering	And	a sacrifice	G3588	to God	for	savour	a sweetsmelling
G4376	G2532	G2378		G2316	G1519	G3744	G2175

Additional Cross-References

John 13:34 (Love): A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

Galatians 2:20 (Love): I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Colossians 3:14 (Love): And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

2 Corinthians 2:15 (References Christ): For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish:

Matthew 20:28 (Parallel theme): Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

1 Corinthians 16:14 (Love): Let all your things be done with charity.

2 Corinthians 8:9 (References Christ): For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

Titus 2:14 (Parallel theme): Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Genesis 8:21 (Parallel theme): And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

1 Peter 4:8 (Love): And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.