

## **~IMITATE (21)**

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- **Paul left a well documented pattern of faith for others to **imitate**.**
- **For you yourselves know the way you ought to **imitate** us, because we did not behave disorderly among you (2 Thessalonians 3:7)**
- **Paul acknowledges, that he does have authority to take material things from them, as an apostle of Christ, in return for his services among them, but he is trying to become an example for them to **imitate**.**
- **Not that we do not have authority, but in order, that we might offer ourselves as an example to you to **imitate** us. (2 Thessalonians 3:9)**
- **Paul then encourages them to remember those who are taking the lead among them, who have spoken the word of God to them, through counsel and exhortations to good works, and as they contemplate how their conduct turns out, to **imitate** their faith, and do the same for yet others.**
- **Remember those who are taking the lead among you, who have spoken the word of God to you, and as you contemplate how their conduct turns out **imitate** their faith. (Hebrews 13:7)**