

# Baseball Team Devotion-Favorite Players

## Scripture lesson: Ephesians 5:1-2

Who is your favorite baseball player? Who is the one player you like the very best? Do you find yourself wanting to be like that player, wearing his jersey and team hat? When my son was growing up his favorite player was and still is Brian Roberts of the Baltimore Orioles. Not only was Brian a friend of John's, John wanted to be like Brian in how he played the game. They both played the same position and John watched and learned from Brian how to play the field and how to read pitchers to steal bases. Brian taught John a lot about baseball, by John just watching. John was very blessed to have a good baseball role model on and off the field that he could pattern his baseball playing after. I am proud of John (he is now a baseball coach) and the man he has become. One of his prized possessions is a Brian Roberts autographed jersey with the words, to John the little brother I never had. God Bless, Brian Roberts.

In today's Scripture lesson Paul shows us who we should be like in the game of life. Paul says we should be imitators of God. To imitate God is to live a life of love, just like Jesus loved us and gave His life for us. For us in life, God has to be our favorite, the One we want to live like and love like each day. Can you imagine what a wonderful world this could be if we all lived a life of love like God does? Today let's do what we can to imitate God by loving one another like He loved us! If Jesus loved us so very much to die for us, then we need to love Him enough to live for Him and like Him! It is great to have a favorite baseball player. But in life there can be only one favorite that we should imitate Him and that is God. Let's work together today and every day to live like God and to love like Jesus!

Object lesson: Share a picture of your favorite baseball player growing up and why you liked him so much.