



may be evident to all.

{16} Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine.

Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you."

3. A _____ - _____, 1 Thessalonians 2:13-14, 1:2-7



4. A _____, Matthew 10:1, 5-9, 12-13, 16, 24-25, Luke 10:1-3, 17, 20-21, 23-24, 22:24-26, 31-34



5. A _____,

(Hebrews 5:12-14) "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. {13} For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. {14} But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."



People

Spiritual Influence-The Spiritual Father

In reviewing how Jesus taught and lead we observe that there are three levels of service for any disciple:

1. The spiritual man/person– following
2. The spiritual father/parent-leading
3. The spiritual grandfather/grandparent-overseeing

(John 3:3) "... Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

(1 Peter 2:2) "as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,"

(Ephesians 4:14) "that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, ...,"

(1 John 2:13) "... I write to you, young men, Because you have overcome the wicked one."

(Ephesians 4:13) "till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;"

(Matthew 23:9) "'Do not call anyone on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven."

(1 Corinthians 4:15) "For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel."

(2 Timothy 2:1) "You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus."

Tonight in looking at the spiritual father, we consider 5 characteristics of his role.

1. A _____, Matthew 28:19-20

(Philippians 3:17) "Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern."

2. A _____, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

(Matthew 5:19) "'Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but

whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

(Ezra 7:10) "For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel."

(Acts 1:1) "The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,"

(1 Timothy 4:15-16) "Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress

