

Mature Mentoring
“Follow Me As I Follow Christ”
Mature in Character
Ephesians 4:1-6

Introduction:

1 Corinthians 11:1

Follow = M_____

Why is this study so important?

1. A mature Christian walk is always one generation away from _____.
2. You will be _____ the person(s) you follow.
 - a. Proverbs 13:20
 - b. Who are you following (mimicking)?
3. Your _____ and investment in people matter.

Mature Mentoring involves Maturity in Character:

Five character qualities of the believer who is following Christ:

1. H_____ – to think or judge with lowliness; _____ of mind
2. G_____ – being of a mild spirit and full of self control; it’s opposite of vindictiveness and vengeance
 - a. In Galatians 6:1, this quality is necessary in restoring a _____ brother.
 - b. Meekness puts my life in God’s _____ and trusts and obey Him.
 - c. Scripture declares that some of the _____ type of people to follow are angry and bitter people.
 - i. Proverbs 16:32
 - ii. Proverbs 22:24-25
 - iii. Hebrews 12:14-15
3. L_____ – A person’s character is tested not when all is well, but when trials come.
4. Bearing with one _____ in love
5. Endeavoring to keep the _____ of the Spirit

Discussion Questions:

1. What have you been learning from the Word of God this month?
2. How have you been applying or sharing what you are learning with your same door neighbors?
3. What do you think about the statement, “your life will be different five years from now based on the people you meet and the books you read”?
4. Are there ways in which Christians follow others who are not following Christ? If so, what are they?
5. What have been some ways in which you or your family have been able to develop relationships with older and wiser people?
6. What are some hindrances today to intergenerational relationships where the younger is learning from the elder?
7. Think of a person who is or has been an influential person in helping you become more like Christ. How did they influence you?
8. How would you describe the person’s character?
9. Out of the five character qualities that were mentioned in Ephesians 4:1-6, which one do you exhibit the most and which one do you exhibit the least?
10. Are you able to find people who consistently demonstrate all five of those character qualities? If so, you have a found a potential mentor.