The sinful practices of one generation were repeated by the next, and the blessing of the Lord was withheld from the nation.

Whether they are aware of it or not, parents set an example for their children. An unknown author wrote:

A careful man I ought to be; A little fellow follows me. I do not dare to go astray For fear he'll go the selfsame way.

Not once can I escape his eyes; Whate'er he sees me do, he tries. Like me he says he's going to be--That little chap who follows me.

I must remember as I go Through summer sun and winter snow, I'm moulding for the years to be--That little chap who follows me.

Parents, be careful where and how you walk! Someone's following in your footsteps! --RWD

A child may not inherit his parents' talents, but he will absorb their values!





Be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. --1 Timothy 4:12



A father and son were walking along the beach. The boy was lagging behind and suddenly shouted, "Look, Daddy, I'm walking in your footsteps!" This prompted the man to think about his responsibility to provide spiritual leadership for his son.

Second Kings 13 records a sad period in the history of God's people. The kings of Israel were not obeying the Lord but were following in the footsteps of their evil fathers.



Our Home

Godly Leadership in the Home

New Testament teaching leads us to deal with two aspects of godly leadership in the home:

1. The _____ of godly leadership, Mark 10:42-45

(Matthew 23:11-12) ""But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant. {12} "And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

A godly spiritual leader will: #1. Be H_____, Matthew 23:11-12, Mark 10:45

(Philippians 2:5-9) "Let this mind be in you

which was also in Christ Jesus, {6} who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, {7} but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. {8} And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. {9} Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,"

(John 13:13-15) ""You call me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. {14} "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. {15} "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you."

#2. Be a S_____, Mark 10:43-44

#3. S_____ your life for others, verse 3

(*Romans 12:1*) "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service."

2. The ______ of godly leadership, verses 3,6

Three New Testament passages teach:

#1. What is not _____,

(Colossians 3:19) "Husbands, love your wives/ and do not be bitter toward them." (Colossians 3:19) "Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them."

(Matthew 5:22) ""But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be



in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raca!' shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire." (Mark 12:31) "".. 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ... ""

#2. Where we _____,

(1 Peter 3:7) "Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered."

#3. How we ______ this _____, Ephesians 5:22-25, 28-29

