

Attitudes Toward The Family Of God (Part 1) Ephesians 2:11-19

Different Roles

- ▶ God is the Father. **Galatians 1:1-4**
- ▶ We are children. **Galatians 3:26-27**
- ▶ We are brethren. **Galatians 6:1**

Different Stages Of Growth

- ▶ **Babies.** 1 Timothy 3:6; 1 Peter 2:2; Ephesians 4:14; 1 Corinthians 16:13; Hebrews 5:12ff; 2 Peter 3:18
- ▶ **In some ways we ARE to behave like children.** Matthew 18:1-6; Luke 14:8-11; Romans 12:3; 1 Corinthians 14:20; 1 Peter 2:1

Different Stages Of Growth

- ▶ **Some old enough to know better.**
 - King Saul. 1 Samuel 15
 - Apostle Peter. Acts 2:21; 10:34f; 11:12; 15:7f; Galatians 2:11-12
- ▶ **Some are weak.** Romans 15:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:14

Common Characteristics

- ▶ **Love each other.** 1 John 4:19-21; John 13:34-35; 1 Corinthians 13

Common Characteristics

- ▶ **Care for each other.** 1 Corinthians 12:25-26; Philippians 2:2ff, 20; Romans 12:9-19
 - Physical needs. Acts 2:44-45; 4:32ff
 - Beginning the life of a Christian. **Matthew 28:19**
 - Burdens of life. Job 1:22; 1 Kings 19:14

Common Characteristics

- ▶ **Care for each other.**
 - Responsibility.
 - Elders. **Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:2; Hebrews 13:17**
 - Preachers. **Ephesians 6:19–20**
 - Sin. **Galatians 6:1**

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Common Characteristics

- ▶ **Desire companionship.**
 - Worship. **Hebrews 10:24–25**
 - Encouragement. **1 Corinthians 15:33**
- ▶ **Common aims.**
 - Please the Father. **Philippians 3:13–15**
 - Hope of heaven. **2 Timothy 4:6–8**

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