

## **NOTES**

1. Our past spiritual faithfulness isn't an automatic guarantee of our faithfulness in the future.
2. Recognize godly examples to *be* and to *follow* (Php. 3:17):
  - 2.1. They believe, and teach, the \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2.2. Their \_\_\_\_\_ matches their \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2.3. Their \_\_\_\_\_ response to trials.

## **Scripture Refs**

Rom. 12:1; Php. 3:17; 2 Tim. 1:5; Ps. 127:3; 1<sup>st</sup> Pet. 3:15; 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 11:1; Acts 20:24; Gal. 5:22-23; 2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 1:9; Col. 1:11-12; Luke 1:1-4  
[1 Tim. 1:3-5,10; 3:3,15; 4:6,13,16; 5:17; 6:1,3,20-21; 2 Tim. 1:13; 2:2,15; 4:3; Titus 1:9; 2:1,10]

### **Reflection & Discussion**

1. Paul says we avoid deceit, and stay faithful, by following godly examples. From the Bible, who is your ‘favorite’ example of a godly person whom you seek to follow? Why?
2. Consider Paul’s words of 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:1. Have an open discussion on what it means to follow another person’s example: what do we look for? How do we *become* someone’s follower? What if they end up disappointing you? Etc...
  - Also, discuss what it means to be followed by another believer: what are your responsibilities? Is it really a call for ALL believers to be followed?
3. Pray for each other and leaders of the church: that God will make us authentic followers of Christ who stand boldly for His truth. Also, that the Spirit will transform each of us into being powerful models whom others can follow.