

## The Value of Role Models

See Allan's lesson – Mt Carmel, fourth Sunday, July 2006

### We Naturally Seek to Follow

- children imitate their parents
- teenagers imitate their peers and popular idols
- Christians imitate those they respect

### Value of Role Models

- good role models can help
  - o how a “son of thunder” becomes a “apostle of love”
    - Mark 3:17
    - I John 4:7-8
  - o how “uneducated and untrained men” can proclaim the gospel of Christ
    - Acts 4:13
- bad role models can hinder
  - o such as Demas who “loved this present world”
    - II Timothy 4:10

### Role Models Worth Following

- Christ
  - o Matthew 5:43-48
  - o Ephesians 5:1-2
- Other Biblical Characters
  - o I Corinthians 11:1
  - o Romans 16:3-5
  - o Philemon 1-7
  - o II John 5-8
  - o Acts 9:36,39
  - o Philippians 2:19-22