Who's Your Paul?

(2 Samuel 12:1-14)

Introduction: 1. Paul was a mentor to Timothy.

- 2. (1 Timothy 1:1-2; 2 Timothy 1:1-2).
- 3. (Philippians 2:19-24) Father/Son relationship.
- 4. We need someone who is older than us in our lives, and who can model and teach us how to be more Christ-like.
 - a. (Proverbs 15:22).
- 5. Let's examine some qualities of Paul that we need.

I. He was Humble

- A. (1 Timothy 1:15).
- B. God hates pride and pretense (Prov. 6:16-17).
- C. (Proverbs 16:18) Pride goes before a fall.
- D. You don't need someone who views you as a pawn.
- E. Ills. of preacher who wanted young men to be mentored by him.

II. He Was Godly

- A. Paul had endured so much to be faithful to God.
- B. (2 Corinthians 11:22-28).
- C. (Acts 16).
- D. (3 John 9-12).

III. He Gently Rebuked and Encouraged

- A. (2 Timothy 1:6-7) Rebuke.
- B. (2 Timothy 1:13) Encouragement.
- C. (2 Timothy 2:3-4) Persevere.
- D. (2 Timothy 2:22) Flee.

Conclusion: 1. Do you have a person you can turn to for godly advice?

- 2. Who's Your Paul?
- 3. We need a Paul in our lives to whom we are accountable (James 5:16).