

# The Christian's Manner of Life

2 Tim. 3:10

## Introduction:

- A. "Doctrine" is important, but so is our "manner of life."
- B. Hear a lot about "alternative life-styles" today.
- C. Christians live an "alternative life-style" from the world
- D. Let us look at some ways the New Testament characterizes the Christian's manner of life:

## Discussion:

### **I. A Saintly Life (Eph. 5:1-7)**

- A. Set apart from the sins of the world.
- B. Set apart unto obedience to God.

### **II. A Selfless Life.**

- A. Christ before self. (Phil 2:21).
- B. Christians before self. (Phil. 1:23,24).
- C. Church before self. (Col. 1:24).

### **III. A Sincere Life (Phil. 1:10,16).**

- A. Not double-minded. (Jas. 1:8; 4:8; Ps. 12:2).
- B. Not double-tongued. (1 Tim. 3:8).
- C. Not double-dealing. (Gal. 2:11-13).
- D. Not double-loyalty. (Matt. 6:24,33).

### **IV. A Satisfying Life (Phil. 4:5,7).**

- A. Contentment. (Phil. 4:10-12).
- B. Assurance. (2 Cor. 4:16-5:1).

### **V. A Serving Life (Heb. 12:28).**

- A. Serve by obeying (Rom. 6:16)
- B. In Worship.
- C. In Labor.
  - 1. Church not mere "worshiping society."
  - 2. Have responsibilities beyond attendance and worship (cf. Gal. 6:10).

### **VI. A Struggling Life. (Heb. 12:4)**

- A. Against sin.
- B. Against human weakness.
- C. Against spiritual opposition.
- D. Against seeds of doubt.
- E. Against suffering (2 Tim 3:12)

### **VII. A Sharing Life (Acts 2:44-47).**

- A. Share goods (v. 45).
- B. Share faith (v. 47; Phile. 6).
- C. Share responsibilities. (Eph. 4:16).

### **VIII. A Steadfast Life (1 Cor. 15:58)**

- A. Devoted
- B. Dependable.
- C. Determined.

## Conclusion:

- A. How is your life?
- B. Are you a Christian?
- C. Are you living as a Christian?