

*Living in Light of*  
**CHRIST'S RETURN**

*Studies in 1 Thessalonians*

# **For the family to flourish ...**

- A. We need leadership. (vv. 12-13)**
- B. We need partnership. (vv. 14-15)**
- C. We need worship. (vv. 16-22)**

## **Ephesians 4:15**

**“But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:”**

## **Ephesians 4:16**

**“From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.”**



# ***Family Matters: Partnership***

**1 Thessalonians 5:14-15**

**Our ministry to one another should  
be characterized by sensitivity,  
patience, unselfishness,  
kindness, and love.**

**1. Minister sensitively ...**

**A. Warn the wayward.**

**B. Encourage the weary and  
comfort the wounded.**

**C. Hold up the weak.**

**D. Be patient with everyone.**

**Matthew Henry said ...**

**“When we try to help other people, we must not be high in our expectations nor harsh in our resentments nor hard in our impositions, but endeavor to make the best we can of everything and think the best we can of everybody.”**

**1. Minister sensitively.**

**2. Live lovingly ...**

**A. Don't defend.**

**B. Just be kind.**

# 1 Peter 2:23

**“Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:”**

## **Ephesians 4:31-32**

**“Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: 32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.”**

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