

3 John 4 – “I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.”

- (01) Sons build the house,  
Servants serve the house. Do just what they have to, I don't get paid to do that.
- (02) Sons hold the Father's vision as their own.  
Servants take the parts they like  
Luke 16:12, sons inherit ... faithful in that which is another man's.
- (03) Sons are always family oriented.  
Servants are issue oriented, will split over issues.
- (04) Sons used the language of the family, we - our - us.  
Servants use individual terminology, me - my - I.
- (05) Sons honor their Fathers, and do not expose nakedness.  
Servants expose nakedness in order to promote themselves.  
Murdock. my Judas
- (06) Sons will submit to the Fathers authority.  
Servants will always question the decisions. They seek dialogue, exchange and communication instead of a solution. Always redefining authority.
- (07) Sons will share their lives down to the 2 - 3 generation.  
Servants will not share with the next generation.
- (08) Sons bond new people to the Family.  
Servants draw new people to themselves.
- (09) Sons focus on welfare of the people.  
Servants focus on appearance, how to look good.
- (10) Sons share their inner thoughts and feelings.  
Servants share only what they want you to know.
- (11) Sons are secure, can be corrected.  
Servant see correction as rejection, can't take it. Always someone else's fault
- (12) Sons start out awkward in spiritual things.  
Servants will not step out or take chances. Fear of failure.
- (13) Sons are those who speak of the future and believe for it  
Servants would rather discuss your past than your future.

Some are careful, some care, some careless.

**TALENT CAN MAKE DISCIPLES, RELATIONSHIPS WILL BIRTH SONS.**

## **DISCIPLES, SERVANTS OR SONS!**

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Ephesians 4:12 – “For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of ministry to the edifying of body.”

Colossians 1:28 – “That we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.”

2 Corinthians 11:21 – “That I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.”

Ephesians 5:27 – “That he might present it to himself a glorious church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.”

Colossians 1:22 – “To present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight.”

Hebrews 13:21 – “Make you perfect in every good work to do his will.”

Matthew 10:24 – “The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.”

### **DISCIPLE**

❑ Disciple (Strong's 3129) -- a learner, i.e. pupil, follower.

Mark 4:11

Matthew 28:17-19 – “(17) And Jesus came and spake unto them, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. ... (19) Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, (make disciples) baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost”

John 8:31-32 – “(31) Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; (32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

Luke 14:26-27 – “(26) If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. (27) And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.”

## SERVANT

- Servant (Strong's 1210) -- a stave, literal or figurative, involuntary; or voluntary, frequently, therefore in a qualified sense of subjection or subservience.
- Vine's - bondman, handmaid, to bind, a slave,
- Thayer's - one who gives himself up wholly to another's will, those whose service is used by Christ in extending and advancing his cause among men, used of the Apostles, devoted to another to the disregard of one's own interests.

Matthew 23:11-12 – *“(11) But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant (12) And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.”*

Matthew 24:45-46 – *“(45) Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? (46) Blessed is that servant; whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.”*

Matthew 25:21 – *“His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy lord.”*

Galatians 4:1-7 – *“(1) Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all. (2) But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father. (3) Even so we, when we were children were in bondage under the elements of the world. (4) But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law. (5) To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. (6) And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. (7) Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.”*

- As a child or a servant you are under supervision or control and rules. (external controls).
- Jesus said that sons are members of the family, but servants are not. From the beginning, God wanted offspring who would relate to Him in love, not slaves or "hired hands" who would obey Him out of obligation. Servants may relate to their master on a superficial level,

but no intimacy or sense of family exists. Sons, on the other hand, are part of the family; they are heirs who will inherit everything that belongs to their father.

## SONS

- Sons – child, daughter, son, indicating the relationship of man to God. (one, in order to obey him been begotten of God.) In the full spiritual sense, not as mere offspring of God true of all men, for believers, of the pure in heart, clearly the idea of regeneration is involved here. Denotes a relation based on community of “nature.”

John 1:12 – *“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”*

Romans 8:14 – *“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.”*

Romans 8:19 – *“For the earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.”*

1 Corinthians 4:14 – *“I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you.”*

2 Corinthians 6:17-18 – *“(17) Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you. (18) And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.”*

Philippians 2:19 f –

Hebrews 12:7-8 – *“(7) If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? (8) But if ye be without chastisement whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.”*

John 15:15 – *“Henceforth I call you not servants. for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth, but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.”*

## THE APPROVAL OF A FATHER WILL EMPOWER THE SON!

- Christianity is not rules and regulations, but relationship.
- Do you have a stake in the family business?
- A servant looks for sundown and a pay check.
- Sons have an inheritance, part of the business.
- Who stays put under fire. Sons stay put and do not change churches.