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# **I. The influence of younger members on others**

## **A. The influence that younger members can have on their elders**

A babysitter and her church

## **B. The influence that younger members can have on their peers**

I Timothy 4:12

## **C. The role of younger members in Revival**

Jonathan Edwards' account of the Great Awakening (1730s);

The Welch Revival (1904-1905); Asbury College (1970)



## **II. The influence of others on younger members:**

### **A. The need for parental and other role models (“moral exemplars”)**

Parents, teachers, family, friends, members in the church

### **B. The need for older members to guide younger members**

Samuel and Eli (I Samuel 3:8-10)

Proverbs 1:8-9

## **II. The influence of others on younger members:**

### **C. The need for younger members to study God's Word**

1. Distribute *The Life Book* (by the Gideons)
2. Daily devotionals on your cell phone





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## **II. The influence of others on younger members:**

### **D. The need to lift up younger members in prayer**

Pray for encouragement to the younger members of the congregation, for a desire to know the Lord personally, grow deeper in their spiritual walk, and to be a positive influence in their schools

# Takeaways:

1. As a younger person in the Church, what is one habit that you can develop (further) to help you grow spiritually in the Lord Jesus Christ?
2. As an older member in the Church, what is one way that you can help younger members grow in the Lord Jesus Christ?



**Let Us Pray**

