Getting Along With Others

1. Many young people do not know how to get along with others. They react and respond to situations involving others with violence, rebellion, anger, bad words, strife, depression, suicide, "doing your own thing," etc.

2. If a young person is to live a happy, successful life, he/she needs to learn how to get along with parents, friends/family, church members, those in authority, and their neighbors (classmates, co-workers, etc.).

3. Young people need to learn to honor (respect) their parents, obey them, listen to them, communicate with them, treat them kindly, and take care of them in their old age (Mk. 7:10-14; Eph. 6:1-4; Col. 3:20-21; 1 Tim. 5:4).

4. Young people need to learn to be friendly, kind, committed, and honest to their friends (Job 2:11ff; Prov. 16:28; 17:9, 17-18; 18:24; 27:6, 9-10, 14, 17).

5. Young people need to learn to "love the brotherhood" – church members (1 Pet. 2:17).

6. Young people need to learn to obey, respect, support, and pray for those in authority – teacher, boss, law-enforcement, government official, and God (Mt. 22:21; Rom. 13; 1 Pet. 2:13-17; 1 Tim. 6:1-2; Titus 3:1).

7. Young people need to learn to live peaceably with their neighbors (Rom. 12:17-21; Tit. 3:2)

8. In summary, young people need to be balanced and fair with all others. They need to treat others the way they want to be treated (Mt. 7:12) and treat others as they would treat themselves (Mt. 22:39).