



**RESTORING THE
FAMILY ALTAR**

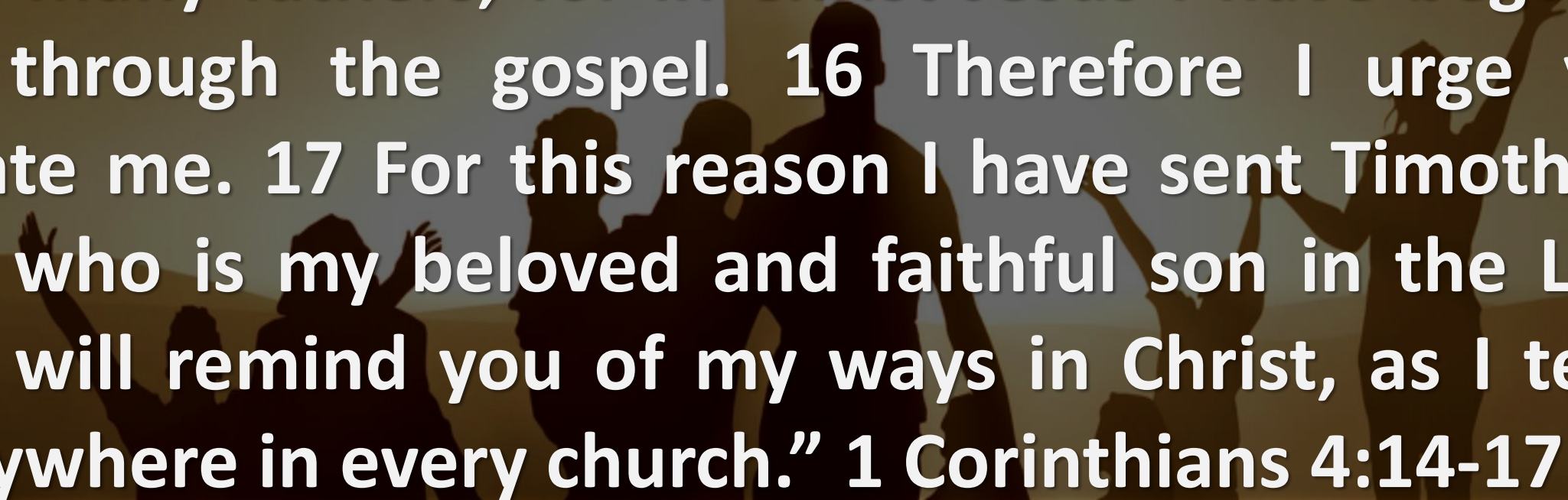
**“A FAMILY
ALTAR
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A FAMILY.”**

7 Ways to Impart Godly Character



Paul's Paternal Care

“I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. 15 For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. 16 Therefore I urge you, imitate me. 17 For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.” 1 Corinthians 4:14-17

The background of the slide features a warm, golden-brown gradient. In the lower half, there are dark silhouettes of a group of people, likely a church congregation, with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or worship. The overall atmosphere is one of spiritual warmth and community.

1. Warning not Shaming

“I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you.” 1 Cor 4:14

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.”

EPHESIANS 6:4

Warning

You have sinned and need forgiveness.

Shaming

You are a bad boy!

2. Fathers not Guardians

1 CORINTHIANS 4:15

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For if you have ten thousand guardians in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I fathered you

⁷ But we were gentle among you, just as a nursing *mother* cherishes her own children. ⁸ So, affectionately longing for you, we were well pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God, but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us.

1 Thessalonians 2:7–12

3. Begetting not Forgetting

“For in Christ Jesus I
have begotten you
through the gospel.”
1 Corinthians 4:15b



4. Imitation not Irritation

**THEREFORE
I URGE YOU TO
IMITATE ME**

1 CORINTHIANS 4:16

That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

- I John 1:3 (ESV)

**Imitate me,
just as I also imitate Christ.**

-- 1 Corinthians 11:1



5. Sons not Children

Romans 8:14-17

“For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord.”

1 Corinthians 4:17a

“For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of Adoption as sons, by Whom we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.”

6. Ways not Dead Ends.

“...who will remind you
of my ways in Christ...”

1 Corinthians 4:17b

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A highway shall be there,
and a road, And it shall
be called the Highway of
Holiness.

The unclean shall not pass over it,
But it shall be for others. Whoever
walks the road, although a fool,
Shall not go astray.

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7. Consistent not Changeable.

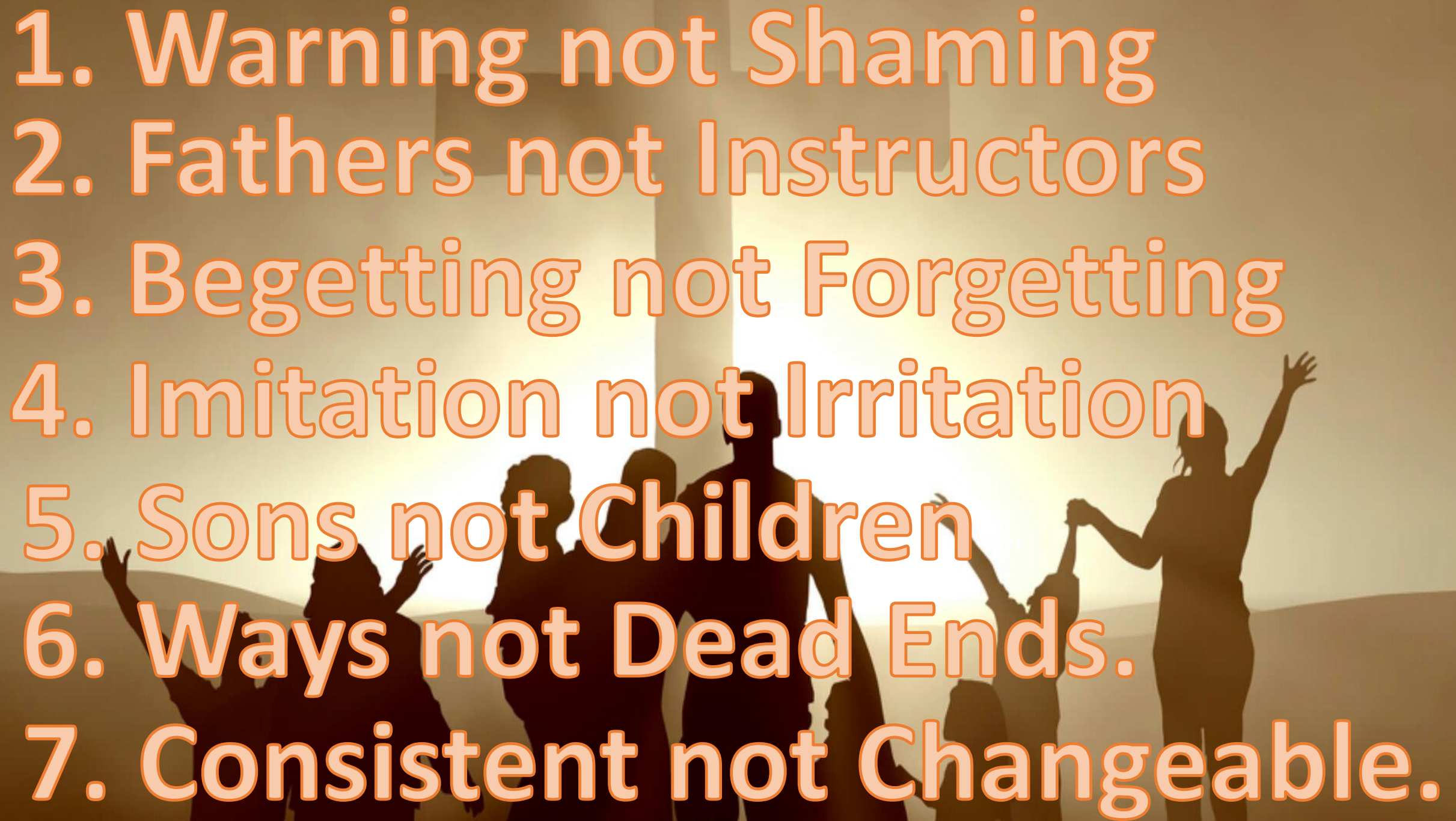
***“...as I teach
everywhere in
every church...”***

1 Corinthians

14:17c

Therefore, my beloved
brothers, be steadfast,
immovable, always
abounding in the work of
the Lord, knowing that in
the Lord your labor is not in
vain.

~ 1 Corinthians 15:58 ESV

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- The background of the image shows the silhouettes of several people, likely a group, with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or celebration. They are positioned against a bright, glowing light source, possibly the sun, which creates a strong backlighting effect. The overall color palette is warm, dominated by shades of orange, yellow, and brown.
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 2. Fathers not Instructors
 3. Begetting not Forgetting
 4. Imitation not Irritation
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