HANDOUT FOR LESSON 5 "BE NOT MANY OF YOU TEACHERS"



Moses was a great teacher, one like unto whom the Christ would be. Is James telling us not to be like him?

Spurgeon reminds us of the importance of respecting children when we teach them, as well as highlighting the special opportunity and the special responsibility that comes with teaching a child:

"But when you teach in Sabbath-schools, you are, if it be possible, in a more responsible situation even than a minister occupies. He preaches to grown-up people, to men of judgment, who, if they do not like what he preaches, can go somewhere else; but you teach children who have no option of going elsewhere. If you teach the child wrongly, he believes you; if you teach him heresies, he will receive them; what you teach him now, he will never forget . . . you are sowing on a soil more fertile now than it ever will be again—soil that will produce fruit now, far better than it will do in after days; you are sowing on a young heart, and what you sow will be pretty sure to abide there, especially if you teach evil, for that will never be forgotten."



There was no greater teacher than Jesus. In the Great Commission he commanded that we all be teachers. Did his brother James discourage us from being teachers? It is not too difficult to be biblical if you don't care about being relevant; it is not difficult to be relevant if you don't care about being biblical. But if you want to be both biblical and relevant in your teaching, it is a very difficult task indeed. ——Howard Hendricks



Eli taught Samuel who became a great servant of God. Should we not seek to lead disciples to great service?

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