

## BELIEF, A HEART LIKE HIS, FAITH-FAMILY-DISCIPLISHIP

### Special Topics Unit - Faith, Family, & Discipleship - *Discipleship and Passing It On* - 2/18/18

Intro: As times have changed, our families have come to look very different than what was once considered normal. Whatever your family looks like, the spiritual goal is the same; our families need to be making D\_\_\_\_\_ S of Christ and to M\_\_\_\_\_ our children and babes in Christ!

#### I. Discipleship Can Take Place in Traditional Families

1. (Gen.17:9, 15-19) What was God's plan for Abraham's family and how does that apply to our families today?

2. What help do these scriptures give us in this effort today?

Deut. 6:7

Ex. 13:14

Gen.18:17-19

Eph.6:4

Gen.17:9-10

2 Tim.3:14-15

#### II. Discipleship Can Take Place Through Family Relations

1. Who did God provide for Esther's spiritual development after her parent's died?

2. When we have to take the place of a parent, we must remember:

We can guide them and teach them but we can never be their S\_\_\_\_\_.

It is okay not to know E\_\_\_\_\_.

An important way to bless them is to be a good E\_\_\_\_\_.

#### III. Discipleship Can Take Place Through the One-Parent Family

1. (Acts 16:1-2, 2 Tim.1:5) Who seems to have provided the spiritual influence for Timothy?

2. What makes it difficult for single parents to keep their home together?

3. Look for T\_\_\_\_\_able moments. Use your T\_\_\_\_\_ wisely. You cannot create more time but you can be more intentional with the time you H\_\_\_\_\_!

**PASS IT ON!**

One of our greatest priorities should be L\_\_\_\_\_ing out God's W\_\_\_\_\_ and teaching that to the next G\_\_\_\_\_. Parents are to disciple their children. They can draw help and support for this from their own P\_\_\_\_\_ and from their C\_\_\_\_\_ F\_\_\_\_\_!

What are some general life skills our children and teens need to learn from parents and mentors?

1. Read Deut. 6:5-9. What are the three principals to family discipleship?

- a. L\_\_\_\_\_ the heart of God and imitate it!
- b. S\_\_\_\_\_ the truths of God!
- c. M\_\_\_\_\_ the ways of God to our children!

2. Discipleship is about shaping the H\_\_\_\_\_. Your children & grandchildren learn how to be like Christ by W\_\_\_\_\_ Y\_\_\_\_\_!

3. What are some ways we can focus on connecting our children/grandchildren's hearts to God, rather than trying to simply change their behavior?

4. What do the following passages say about the church's role in helping and supporting our children become disciples of Christ?

Eph. 4:11-13

Eph. 4:15

Gal. 5:22-23

Isa. 1:16-18

Pro.15:22