MISSION STARTS AT HOME

"The Husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife..."
1 Corinthians 7:3

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Matthew 1:19-21
Romans 8:28

1 Corinthians 13:13
1 Corinthians 7:3

Father's Day '12

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INTRODUCTION

Joseph lived a life trusting and submitting to God, and when God called him and told to that he was to take care of Mary and raise Jesus he dropped everything, got his priorities in order, and simply submitted to God.
As a father (or would be father one day) our main priorities are:

1) Jesus
2) Wife (or husband)
3) Children
4) Providing (work)
5) Everything else (Hobbies, friends, extended family, sports tv…the etceteras).

This is mission in action.

DISCUSSION

The above list will change based upon where you are in your life. If you are a single mother or father it would be 1) Jesus 2) Children 3) Providing (work) 4) Everything else. If you are not married (and do not have children) this list essentially looks like 1) Jesus 2) Others 3) Yourself.

- Why does mission start at home?
- How do you react when one of your friends put their priorities above you? Do you encourage or discourage by your reaction?

EXPLANATION

How can these priorities being out of order cause problems (havoc)?

How can these priorities being out of order be an indicator of our not submitting to God?

APPLICATION

Why is putting Jesus and your family before everything else important?

How can putting God first (and our spouse second) bring peace and comfort to our lives?

MISSION

What can we do (individually) to make sure our priorities are in order?

What can we do (collectively) to make sure our priorities are in order?

How can we live the correct priorities in front of others while not always seeming judgmental?

How can we live the correct priorities in front of others while not always seeming hypocritical?