

INTRODUCTION

What happens every day in our homes defines what normal is for our families! It may be normal for you to eat a hamburger every Friday night, it might be normal for you to get ice cream every Tuesday after school, it might be normal for your family to have a game night each week (where you shut off the TV), but we must make sure to make Jesus a normal part of our family life. We must become a people who make worshiping Jesus a normal attitude of our hearts; not a special event set aside for a specific time once a week. Every parent will leave a personal legacy, the most important thing for your children to see in you is an authentic relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

DISCUSSION

What is one of the craziest things your kids have ever done?

If you don't have kids, what is the craziest thing you did as a kid (that freaked your parents out)?

EXPLANATION – READ PROVERBS 1:8-9

What are “things” your parents taught you, good and bad?

Are there any “things” you wish they would have taught you but didn't?

If you are a parent, are you teaching your kids the things you wish your parents taught you?

APPLICATION – READ EPHESIANS 6:1-4

How do you bring your kids up in the “instruction of the Lord?”

Is Jesus a common focus for you and your spouse?

If you are single, is Jesus a focus in how you go about your daily life? How?

MISSION

How can you pursue the hearts of your children?

Are there others around you who can help remind you how to do that?

If you are single, how can you pursue the hearts of those around you with the Gospel?

PART 2 WHAT! — IN THE — WORLD?

PROVERBS 1:8-9

PROVERBS 22:6

EPHESIANS 6:1-4

PROVERBS 13:24

ISAIAH 1:2

COLOSSIANS 3:21

PROVERBS 19:18

EPHESIANS 6:4

DEUTERONOMY

COLOSSIANS 3:21

EXODUS 34:6

6:6-7; 11:19

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