

The Family - Proper Circuitry

What does your belief in Jesus change? If it is belief the way Jesus talks about believing, it will change how you approach the relationships that are closest to you.

Scripture(s): Colossians 3:18-21

Remember this - A genuine desire for Jesus will change how we see the _____ relationships of our life.

I. The first outlook on family living that reflects our desire to live like Jesus in everything is accept leadership _____.

Submission, as the Bible talks about it, is a _____ burden to follow with someone else.

Ephesians 5:15-21 (15-17, 21) Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil. So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is... and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.

II. The second outlook on family living that reflects our desire to live like Jesus in everything is to _____ those who God has given us. Our response to our family should be _____, protection, and responsibility.

Ephesians 5:28-29 So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also does the church,

III. The third outlook on family living that reflects our desire to live like Jesus in everything is to _____ those in authority over us. We show that we value someone when we _____. We listen when we _____.

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER (which is the first commandment with a promise), SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH. (Exodus 20:12)

IV. The fourth outlook on family living that reflects our desire to live like Jesus in everything is _____ up rather than crushing. Parents and other elders must be careful that they do not turn into _____.

Implications:

1. Families are built when moms and dads see themselves as a _____ working together instead of a tug of war against one another.

2. Families build well when they create an environment of _____.

3 - Families must pay as much attention to _____ we speak to each other as we do _____ we say.

How can we live this out?

1. Have a serious conversation about whether your family life is a tug of _____ or a cooperative team effort.

2. Be truly open to taking on the burdens of serving, loving, and _____ in your home.

3. Care about tone, timing and approach as much as you do _____ when you speak.

A question to ask Jesus...

Does how I interact with my closest relationships reflect my desire to live my life for You?

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