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DOCTRINE OF PARENTING-1

1. This categorical study will take key passages in the Word of God and develop them both for instruction and encouragement. Parenting can be extremely frustrating. Apart from Bible doctrine there is no solace, only human viewpoint. In human viewpoint the parent actually adds to the problems—both the child's and the parent's—although the parent may think he is helping with human viewpoint solutions.
2. God did not leave us in the dark regarding raising our kids, there are a number of Old Testament books specifically written for youth: Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon. They are all primers for parents.
3. God is very concerned with how we raise our children. Remember that family is a divine institution (#3) and is the basis for stability in a national entity. God never called a parent to try to be *friends* with his child; this is part of modern evil thinking. The parent is to be a parent first. The child only has one parent. I add this because of the evil thinking today where parents do all they can to be friends with their children and do all they can to indulge them instead of teaching them about God.
4. It is believed that Psalm 119 was written by a young man on a 22 day death march as a captive. He speaks about how the Lord sustained him through the Word of God

Psalm 119:9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Thy word.

Psalm 119:11 Thy word I have treasured in my heart, That I may not sin against Thee.

5. In Proverbs David teaches his teenage son, Solomon, and also Solomon teaches Rehoboam.
6. There are key doctrines and concepts that must be taught to children. Failure to teach certain concepts will lead to destruction of the child and eventually a nation. While a parent cannot cause their children to be positive to Bible doctrine and the spiritual life, they can inculcate certain attitudes that will protect the child and preserve a nation. Just teaching the following *basics* will take a great deal of frustration out of life—the parent's, the child's, and those around the child.

7. The following basic doctrinal concepts that must be inculcated in all children.
- a. All children must be taught respect for all authority. This is an underlying principle throughout the Word of God. We now live in a generation where children, especially some minority groups, are taught that they are victims and that they have a right to disrespect authority. Such an attitude is nothing short of evil.
 - b. Children must be taught to respect parents.
 - c. Children must be taught to respect the Word of God.
 - d. Children must be taught to respect God.
 - e. Children must be taught to respect the pastor-teacher.
 - f. Children must be taught to respect the authority of the teacher, the coach, the military, the police, the judge, the employer, etc.
 - g. Children must be taught the principle of self-discipline in matters of immorality. The parents are the ones who are to teach their kids the biblical view of sex and the dangers of pre-marital sex.

Proverbs 7:1 My son, keep my words, And treasure my commandments within you. 2 Keep my commandments and live, And my teaching as the apple of your eye. 3 Bind them on your fingers; Write them on the tablet of your heart. 4 Say to wisdom, "You are my sister," And call understanding your intimate friend; 5 That they may keep you from an adulteress, From the foreigner who flatters with her words.

- h. Children are to be taught to respect the privacy of others. In other words, parents should teach kids not to be gossips. Gossip destroy relationships and can destroy churches. There are few things as unsightly as a mother who turns her daughter into a gossip. Note what the Word of God says about gossip.

Proverbs 11:13 He who goes about as a talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is trustworthy conceals a matter.

Proverbs 18:8 The words of a whisperer are like dainty morsels, And they go down into the innermost parts of the body.

Proverbs 20:19 He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, Therefore do not associate with a gossip.

- i. Children are to be taught respect for the property of others. This includes the illicit attempt to steal affections of another (Prov. 6:29-32).

Proverbs 1:10 My son, if sinners entice you, Do not consent. 11 If they say, "Come with us, Let us lie in wait for blood, Let us ambush the innocent without cause; 12 Let us swallow them alive like Sheol, Even whole, as those who go down to the pit; 13 We shall find all kinds of precious wealth, We shall fill our houses with spoil; 14 Throw in your lot with us, We shall all have one purse,"

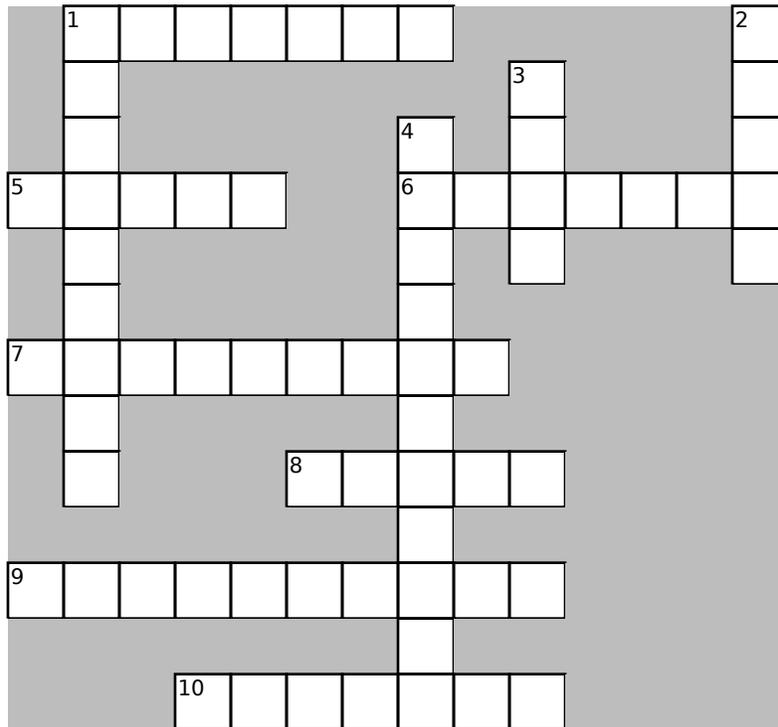
Proverbs 6:29 So is the one who goes in to his neighbor's wife; Whoever touches her will not go unpunished. 30 Men do not despise a thief if he steals To satisfy himself when he is hungry; 31 But when he is found, he must repay sevenfold; He must give all the substance of his house. 32 The one who commits adultery with a woman is lacking sense; He who would destroy himself does it.

Proverbs 30:14 There is a kind of man whose teeth are like swords, And his jaw teeth like knives, To devour the afflicted from the earth, And the needy from among men.

- j. Children are to be taught respect for the rights of others. Parents must teach their children to allow others to live their own lives without any infringement from others.
8. Fail to teach children the above basic principles will lead to enormous frustration—far beyond just having a child who is negative to Bible doctrine and the spiritual life. There is a crisis today with the lack of fathers who willing to man up and be spiritual leaders of their families. Most fathers are too busy to teach their children Bible doctrine at home.
 - a. It is rare that a father will pray for a son or daughter other than at mealtime.
 - b. It is rare that a father will teach his son about the facts of life at the proper time regarding Right Man/Right Woman.
 - c. It is rare that a father will instruct his daughter how many forces are abroad today to destroy her mind, her spiritual life, and virginity.
 - d. It is rare that a father follows through on Deut. 6:6-9.
 - e. It is rare that a father will admit his spiritual failures and make the necessary corrections. He is too proud to admit his spiritual failure and his need for the local church. Often, in his macho attitude he says he does not need church because it is a crutch for the weak, all the while he leans on a bottle, hides behind the skirts of a woman, and like a child spends time with his toys and recreational pursuits rather than in child rearing. God help any wife who is married to a man who refuses to be a spiritual leader. God help any husband whose wife will not follow his spiritual leadership in the raising of their children. Any woman who marries a man who is not positive to Bible doctrine will get what she deserves. She only has herself to blame. Far too many woman think they can change some beau or fop and make him positive—what foolishness, what skubalon!

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