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GOD'S PLAN FOR CHILDREN, PART 2

EPHESIANS 6:1-4 (NASB)

INSIGHT: Today the family unit is in survival mode in America.

TRUTH: Corruption in America continues because a merciful God calls men to repent but permits their willful disobedience, as in 1973 (Acts 14:16).

THREE DECLARED JUDGMENTS OF GOD ACCORDING TO ROMANS 1:

1. God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity.
2. God gave them over to degrading passions.
3. God gave them over to a depraved mind.

WHAT WE'VE LEARNED:

1. Marriage is a blessing.
2. Children are a blessing.
3. Parenting is a blessing.
4. Parenting success is about the parents not the children.
5. Parenting is the greatest influence on a child.
6. Parenting is God's plan for man.

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF PARENTING?

I. CHILDREN ARE TO OBEY PARENTS...THAT'S A CHILD'S DUTY (Ephesians 6:1).

TRUTH: Obeying parents has to be taught.

TRUTH: Obeying parents is the only command of God to a child.

INSIGHT: The death penalty for children who curse their parents indicates the necessity of obedience for any culture to survive.

TRUTH: Children are deficient mentally, physically, socially and spiritually.

TRUTH: Children must be ruled... they must be disciplined... they must be taught. If you don't, there's Proverbs 30:11.

II. CHILDREN ARE TO HONOR PARENTS... THAT'S AN ATTITUDE (Ephesians 6:2).

TRUTH: It is probably more necessary to discipline an attitude than an act.

GOD'S PROMISE: Children who honor their parents will not have their life shortened by divine judgment.

III. THE NECESSITY OF DISCIPLINE

1. Proverbs 3:11
2. Proverbs 10:13
3. Proverbs 19:18
4. Proverbs 22:15
5. Proverbs 23:13
6. Proverbs 29:15, 17