

Children (and Grandchildren): How to Avoid Regrets

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**“You shall love the Lord God with all your heart, with all your soul,
and with all your strength.**

And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

You shall teach them diligently to your children

**and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by
the way, when you lie down and when you rise up.”**

Deuteronomy 6:5-8

SUMMARY:

Can you think of anything in the entire world more important than for your children to place faith in Jesus Christ and to experience God's wonderful plan for their life? Through prayer and the model of your own life, you can have confidence that, by God's grace, they will.

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NOTES:

DISCUSSION POINTS:

1. How would you describe your relationship with your kids? Grandkids?
2. In what areas do you feel you need improvement?
3. Have you formulated a game plan or strategy to spend quality time with your children? Grandchildren? If so, share it with the men at your table.
4. Do you feel your relationship with your wife impacts the way your child will view your walk with God? If so, why?
5. How would your children describe your relationship with their mother?
6. Are you intentional about insulating (not Isolating) your children (grandchildren) from the Godless culture of our day?
7. What blue-print or plan do you have in place to avoid regrets with your children? Grandchildren?

APPLICATION:

- Be open to making changes in your life you believe are necessary to avoid regrets with your children and/or grandchildren.
- Acquaint yourself with the specific prayer needs of your children and/or grandchildren.
- Commit to praying daily by name for each of your children and/or grandchildren.

ON YOUR OWN...

Genesis 48:8-9 "...children are a gift from God..."

Exodus 20:5 "...the sins of the fathers are visited on the children..."

Deut. 6:2 "...fear the LORD,...you and your son and grandson..."

Psalms 127:3 "...children are a heritage from the LORD..."

Prov. 20:7 "...The righteous man walks in his integrity, his children are blessed after him..."

Prov. 22:6 "...Train up a child in the way he should go...he will not depart from it..."