

## FAMILY MATTERS #4 - HERITAGE OF THE FAMILY

### PSALMS 127 & 128

Children are the reward that pays forward into the future.

#### I. DESCRIPTION OF CHILDREN

##### A. Fruit of the womb

1. Heritage is for the future not the past
2. Explained in the Ten Commandments (EXO. 20:4-6)

##### B. Arrows in the mighty man's hand

1. Arrows are made at home not on the battlefield
2. Arrows are only aimed while on the bow

##### C. Olive plants around the table

#### II. DUTIES OF CHILDREN

##### A. Hear your parents EPH. 6:1

##### B. Honor your parents COL. 3:20 / (EPH. 6:2-3)

##### C. Heed your parents: Ex. not hearers only (JAMES 1:22)

#### III. DANGERS TO CHILDREN

##### A. Many dangers found in our culture today

1. Woke, LGBTQ, Satanic philosophy, Internet
2. NONE so bad as "Not hearing, honoring, heeding"

##### B. It is worth death, blood, and darkness

1. (LEV. 20:9) / (PROV. 20:20) / (PROV. 30:11)

#### IV. DISCIPLINE FOR CHILDREN

##### A. Discipline is discipleship / Learning and doing

1. Our Heavenly Father's pattern (2 TIM. 3:16-17)
2. Doctrine = what's right, Reproof = what's wrong
3. Correction = how to get right
4. Instruction in righteousness = how to stay right

##### B. The rod is for correction in children

1. Correction demonstrates higher love PROV. 13:24
2. Correction is for the child's future PROV. 19:18
3. Correction drives out foolishness PROV. 22:15
4. Correction is commanded by God PROV. 23:13

#### V. DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN

##### A. Fathers must have GODLY purpose (COL. 3:21) EPH. 6:4

##### B. The child that will obey the parent will also obey God

EXO. 20:4-6 - "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: (5) Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; (6) And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments."

COL. 3:20 - "Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord."

JAMES 1:22 - "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

LEV. 20:9 - "For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood shall be upon him."

PROV. 20:20 - "Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness."

PROV. 30:11 - "There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother."

2 TIM. 3:16-17 - "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: (17) That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."

COL. 3:21 - "Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged."