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Deuteronomy 30:19 Place before you life and death – choose life so that your decedents can benefit from it.

Deutronomy.6 Firstly speak to parents – make Christianity a lifestyle

Malachi 4:6 (NLT) His preaching will turn the hearts of parents to their children, and the hearts of children to their parents. Otherwise I will come and strike the land with a curse."

Hearts are turned to one another so that we can :

- Serve each other
- Give and receive
- Share with each other
- Care for each other

Colossians 3: 5 Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust and evil desires.

Don't be greedy

Get rid of anger, rage, malicious behaviour and dirty language.

Don't lie to each other

Become like Him

God forgave you, so you need to forgive others

(use an example with the rope what un-forgiveness does)

How does a Christian household work?

Colossians. 4:18-25 Wives – submit to husbands as it is fitting to the Lord

Husbands – love your wives and never treat them harshly

Children – always obey your parents.

1. Build your child's spiritual identity,
2. Sexual identity
3. Social identity

What is the role of husband in household?

Priest

King

Prophet

Judge

When you say to your child he/she is not worthy and will amount to nothing, you are a false prophet, because you do not speak what God the Father speaks and you are the prophet of the household.

Establish their sexual identity

Teach your son and daughter on their sexual identity.

God is not confused about His identity and He was not confused when He created your son or daughter.

Man and woman God created you

You are created the sex God planned you to be

Sexual identity needs to be cemented by fathers

You don't want to raise 'mommy's boys' – mommy's boys speak of absent fathers

You need to be the first person having the conversation regarding sex with your children – mother and father present together

Social identity

- Teach your children how to behave in public
- According to statistics of the Wits university: dads influence on their kids is 83 % and moms influence is 17 %
- You need to put a stamp on your children for the generations to come

Emotional identity

- Men are allowed to cry and you are allowed to show emotion to your children
- Your children shouldn't be scared of your emotions.
- Don't teach your children that emotions are based on fear.
- Emotions are that which I feel and think. We need to have self-control over that.
- You are not allowed to manipulate through emotions. Because the youngest are in a bad mood, everybody needs to stay away.

We are called for the next generation: (when the enemy comes in like a flood...)

Psalms. 144:12 May our sons flourish in their youth like well-nurtured plants. May our daughters be like graceful pillars, carved to beautify a palace.

2 Kings 5:1 ¹ The king of Aram had great admiration for Naaman, the commander of his army, because through him the Lord had given Aram great victories. But though Naaman was a mighty warrior, he suffered from leprosy.

² At this time Aramean raiders had invaded the land of Israel, and among their captives was a young girl who had been given to Naaman's wife as a maid.³ One day the girl said to her mistress, "I wish my master would go to see the prophet in Samaria. He would heal him of his leprosy."

⁴ So Naaman told the king what the young girl from Israel had said.