2011 International Conference of Youth and Family Ministry

Leadership in the Family:
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Intro:
2 Timothy 1:5 Speaks of the faith that was passed down to Timothy from his mother "Eunice" and his grandmother "Lois." (See also 2 Timothy 3:15).
We see in scripture that the marriage covenant is compared to that covenant love which Christ has for his church (Eph. 5:25ff).

To the Heart
Strong fathers
Strong Spiritual leadership

I. BE COMISSIONED

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Deuteronomy 6:6-7 we read: *"These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."*

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"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4).
Sometimes, men in the west tend to think of their home as a their castle. This kind of thinking can obviously cause problems. Men may get the idea that they are the little kings. In Israel the home was not a castle but a sanctuary. We see in Deuteronomy 6:9, that the law was to be fastened to the door posts of the house. After the Temple was destroyed, it seems that many of its customs passed to the home, and the home became a little sanctuary (Ezek. 11:16). This is particularly seen in the customs surrounding the Sabbath and the holidays, such as Passover. The ritual candles are lit; the Sabbath bread is served (*hallah*); songs are sung ; children and wives are blessed. The dinner table actually becomes an altar.

God has called you to be his representative. In the Hebrew language, the very root for "parent" is the word *yarah*. This word means, "to shoot an arrow" or "to direct" something or someone. The parent directs the child's life.

In the *Talmud* it is said, "He who does not teach his son a trade HAS TAUGHT HIM TO BE A THIEF" (*Kiddushin* 29a).

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- "And that you may tell in the hearing of your son and your son's son the mighty things I have done . . . that you may know I am the Lord" (Exodus 10:2).
- Exodus 12:26-28, speaks of explaining to your children when they ask about the symbols of the faith (the Passover in context).
- "And teach them [the statutes of the law] to your children and your grandchildren" (Deuteronomy 4:9).
- "You shall teach them [God's words] to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deuteronomy 11:19).
- "He commanded our fathers, That they should make them known to their children; That the generation to come might know them, The children who would be born, That they may arise and declare them to their children" (Psalm 78:5-6).
- "The father shall make known Your truth to the children" (Isaiah 38:19).
- "Fathers . . . bring them up [children] in the training and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4).

II. STEADFAST SHARING

• "Gather the people to Me, and I will let them hear My words, That they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children" (Deuteronomy 4:10).

SHARE GOD
SHARE KINGDOM OF GOD

- TEACH FAITH
- TEACH MERCY
- TEACH AGAPE
- In Psalm 127:3-5
  "Sons are a heritage from the LORD, children a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are sons born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them...."

III. SACRIFICE SELF

- John 12: Unless a kernel of wheat falls
- "Dying to self" = Fundamental concepts of Christianity

Acts 2: >> **This promise** is for you and your children

IV. Fight to the end

Luke 20:20-22
The Battle

Prayer for the Children..