

## Family Relationships: The Father

*'And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord' (Ephesians 6:4) and 'Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged' (Colossians 3:21)*

**\*According to above two verses, the father's responsibilities are:**

- i. Not to provoke children: what does this mean or look like?
- ii. Train up their children in the admonition and knowledge of the Lord

**\*Training and instructing our children in the things of the Lord: Deuteronomy 6:7-9 and 20-25. Also Deuteronomy 11:2 and 19**

- i. In Deuteronomy 11, God declares that he does not speak to the children (verse 2) but leaves the responsibility of speaking to the children to the parents (verse 19)
- ii. Fathers will give an account, as stewards, of their children to God (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 4:2-5)
- iii. Proverbs 22:6- is this true all the time/ can a father be faultless in child going astray from the Lord?

**\*God as our model of a father**

-We can only know God as our Father and as a perfect model of a father through Jesus Christ (Matthew 11:27)

\*God's dealing as a Father to our Lord Jesus Christ in:

-Love and affirmation (Mark 1:11)

-Instruction for life and living (John 5:19)

-Protection (John 8:20)

-Provision (Matthew 4:11)

***All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him (Matthew 11:27)***



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