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## **YOUR FAMILY IS YOUR FORTUNE – Part 2**

Unfortunately, many people don't discover the value of their family until they have lost it!

We must all come to the point, especially as Christians, that our families take a very high priority in our lives!

**Dads, there is nothing as important as being the man that God wants you to be in your home!**

Your kids need someone who will teach them, and who will show them how to live the Christian life!

**Moms, you set the climate of your home to a large degree!**

Parents are responsible, to a large degree, for the attitudes that our children are going to have regarding marriage!

Parenting is training our kids in making good choices, in making right choices.

If we don't try and influence our kids for the Lord, someone else will influence them in another way!

85% of conversions to Christ take place between the ages of 4 and 15!

Young people are turned off to Christianity by the inconsistency and hypocrisy of adults who are 'Sunday' Christians!

A child needs total exposure to Christian living and Christian teaching in the home!

**First Commandment for parents: "Thou shalt start with thyself."**

Kids don't learn merely by being told; they learn by seeing!

*"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4*

**Second Commandment for parents: "Thou shalt impart the faith to your kids!"**

The church can only assist parents, not replace them!

*"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6*

Some parents have made the mistake of teaching their children the way they should go, but have neglected to train them in the way they should go. They have neglected to "show them the way".

**Third Commandment for parents: "Thou shalt be concerned with building healthy relationships between you and your children."**

The child who is unsure of being loved most often breaks the rules because he or she feels alienated and angry. We need to show real love to our children!

Do you know where your kids are going to spend eternity???

Are plans for eternity high on your family agenda?

When your family is separated by death, don't you want to be sure that it's only "good night" and not "good bye"?