

**Homework**  
**Lessons 16 & 17**

**Parent-Child Relationships**

Complete at least four (4) of the following:

**LESSON 16**

1. Explain, using scripture, the importance of:
  - A parent's commitment to the Lord.
  - A parent's commitment to the word of God.
  - The parent's commitment to each other.
  - The commitment of believing parents to their children.
  - The commitment of children to the Lord.
  - The commitment of children to their parents.
2. What does it mean to provoke a child to wrath?
3. After reading pages 13-16 of Lesson 16, list some of the most important lessons learned about biblically instructing children.

**LESSON 17**

4. **ANSWER** the following questions:
  - What is discipline?
  - Why is it necessary?
  - How and when should it be carried out?
  - What does it reveal?
  - What does it accomplish?
  - Who is to receive discipline?
5. What are some dangers a parent can fall into with regards to discipline?
6. What is the biblical basis for family devotions?

**Memory Verse:** Ephesians 6:1-4

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## BCF LESSONS 16 & 17 Parent-Child Relationships

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Proverbs 22:6 (NKJV) Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.

The scriptures clearly teach that a child's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have an incredible impact on the decisions they will make through-out their entire lives.

The majority of today's television shows and sitcoms are no more than 22 minutes of people sarcastically tearing each other down with demeaning comment after demeaning comment. A child's \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_) will have a large impact on who they become. A child's role models will often define their personality. \_\_\_\_\_% of a child's personality is developed by the age of six.... Children are like information sponges.... Your child will be taught, but who will the teacher be? Will it be the world or will it be the church? Will it be Facebook or BIBLE?

### The purposes of these lessons are:

1. To introduce God's plan for the parent-child relationship.
2. To contrast man's \_\_\_\_\_, with God's directives for raising children.
3. To present biblical \_\_\_\_\_ for raising children in the instruction and discipline of the LORD.

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 (NKJV) This passage of scripture is well known to the Jew as well as the Christian. It's known as the "Shema", taken from the Hebrew word that means "to hear" or "to listen". It begins with the "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!"

6 "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

7 "You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

8 "You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.

9 "You shall write them on the door posts of your house and on your gates.

**God holds \_\_\_\_\_ responsible to bring up their children according to HIS standards.** These words were to be kept before them at all times.

Most parents today are fearful of parenting.

Many Christian parents need to stop \_\_\_\_\_ in the raising of their children. They need to be unwavering in their courage to monitor and filter the television programs their children watch. You have a biblical obligation to know what kind of music they listen to in their iPhones. Get some background on the kids they are hanging out with. Backbone comes at a price.

\_\_\_\_\_ % of 12<sup>th</sup> graders have been sexually active...some starting prior to middle school.

### God's plan for parent-child relationships:

1. Children are a gift from the Lord. Psalm 127:3
2. They are to be raised according to God's Word. 2 Timothy 3:14-17  
The Bible is the \_\_\_\_\_ for raising children.
3. They are not to be \_\_\_\_\_ according to man's philosophy. Proverbs 16:2

Proverbs 14:12 (NKJV) There is a way *that seems* right to a man, But its end *is* the way of death.

No matter how convincing Dr. Spock or Dr. Ruth or Dr. Laura or Dr. Seuss make their ideas sound, if they are in opposition to the Word of God, don't listen to them! ...even if they try to make it sound biblical.

4. Children are to obey their parents in the Lord.

### **THIS WEEKS MEMORY VERSES** (Children and Parents)

Ephesians 6:1-4 (NKJV) <sup>1</sup>Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup>“Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with promise: <sup>3</sup>“that it may be well with you and you may live long on earth.”

<sup>4</sup>And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

Children are to be brought up in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord.

How does God treat you? Is He patient, kind, compassionate, merciful, etc.?

Children must be handled with care. They need firm instruction administered in \_\_\_\_\_.

Children need less \_\_\_\_\_ and more role models.

In verse 1, the apostle Paul instructs children to obey their parents (in the Lord). It's a correct thing for a child to learn how to obey. Isaiah 54:13 (NKJV) All your children *shall be* taught by the LORD, And great *shall be* the peace of your children.

If children don't learn to obey, early in life, they will learn to \_\_\_\_\_ as a way of life. We call that delinquency. If they don't learn to obey in the smaller circle (the home), they won't obey in the larger circle (\_\_\_\_\_).

Proverbs 19:1 Chasten your son while there is hope, And do not set your heart on his destruction.

Proverbs 29:15 The rod and rebuke give wisdom, But a child left to *himself* brings shame to his mother.

Children spell “\_\_\_\_\_”, T-I-M-E.

Proverbs 13:24 He who spares his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him promptly.

The threat of the “woodshed” has kept many a child from going there.

Proverbs 22:15 Foolishness *is* bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of correction will drive it far from him.

Hebrews 12:11 (NIV) No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

Parents must never forget those three little words at the end of Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

\_\_\_\_\_ is going to be necessary in any family, but must always be tempered with \_\_\_\_\_.

Today's society works against everything the \_\_\_\_\_ is trying to teach them at home. The parent who chooses to raise their family with the Word of God being their absolute is in for a \_\_\_\_\_ **...But fear not, the battle belongs to the Lord.**

Psalms 78:4-5 (NKJV) <sup>4</sup>We will not hide *them* from their children, Telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, And His strength and His wonderful works that He has done. <sup>5</sup>For He established a testimony in Jacob, And appointed a law in Israel, Which He commanded our fathers, That they should make them known to their children;