TEXT: Ephesians 6:4

INTRODUCTION

- * FOCUSING ON THE CHRIST ... The Shadow of Christ, The Life of Christ, The Return of Christ, The Reign of Christ ... The Reflection of Christ
- * What we say, and how we live, is a reflection of Who, or what, is residing and reigning in our heart!
- * The Reflection is seen in: Our Speech (Luke 6: 43-46); Our Finances (Matthew 6:19-24) ... Our Relationships!
- * Three weeks we began considering the marital relationship (first looking at the wife's reflection and then the husband's). Last week, we began considering the reflection of Christ in the parental relationship by considering the child's reflection in his/her honoring of their parent.
- * Today, we turn to the parent's reflection. More specifically, to that of the father.

INSTRUCTION

I. THE CHILD'S REFLECTION

II. THE PARENT'S REFLECTION

A. The ______tive Command

- 1. THE E
 - a. Wrath (Eph 6:4)
 - b. Discouragement (Col 3:21)
- 2. THE C
 - a. The A____use of P_____
 - b. The M___use of S_____

B. The _____tive Command (v. 28-32)

IN THE TRAINING (paideia) OF THE LORD
cf. 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 12:5-11; Prov 1:2; 1:7,8; 3:11; 4:1; 5:12-13; 12:1; 13:18; 22:15

- 2. IN THE ADMONITION (nouthesia) OF THE LORD
 - * 1 Corinthians 10:11; I Thessalonians 2:7, 10-12; Genesis 18:19

INTROSPECTION

* DADS ... HOW WELL ARE YOU TRAINING LEARNED

AND RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS OF CHRIST'S KINGDOM?

* DADS ... ARE YOU TRAINING AND EQUIPPING YOUR CHILDREN,

OR ARE YOU LEAVING IT TO YOUR WIFE?

- * KIDS, HOW WELL DO YOU ACCEPT THE INSTRUCTION OF YOUR PARENTS?
- * HOW WELL ARE OUR HOMES REFLECTING CHRIST TO OUR COMMUNITY?