INTRODUCTION

- * In our study of the book of Proverbs, we have been considering some Pearls of Wisdom.
- * Last week, we began considering some of the Proverbs written regarding the family. We began with some General Principles and then considered those that referred to the husband and the wife, specifically.
- * Today, we will transition into the "Parental Relationship" ... those Proverbs given in reference to how we parent and the reaction/response of the children.
 * As a whole, though, we need to remember that having a proper Biblical "Marital Relationship" will be the first major step toward having a proper Biblical
- "Parental Relationship." If we do not submit to the authority of the Word of God in our own lives, how can we expect our children to do otherwise in their submission to our authority, and instruction?

INSTRUCTION

I. IN GENERAL (cf. Proverbs 3:33; 20:7; Proverbs 15:17; Proverbs 17:1)

II. CONCERNING THE MARITAL RELATIONSHIP

- A. The Institution (cf. Proverbs 18:22; 19:14)
- **B.** The Individuals
 - 1. TO THE HUSBAND (cf. Proverbs 5:15-23; 16:31; 20:29)
- 2. TO THE WIFE
 - a. Positively (cf. Proverbs 12:4; 14:1; 11:16; 31:10-31)
 - b. Negatively (cf. Proverbs 11:22; 19:13; 21:9; 21:19; 25:24; 27:15-16

III. CONCERNING THE PARENTAL RELATIONSHIP

A. To The Parents

- 1. REGARDING I
 - a. The Principle (cf. Proverbs 22:6):
 - b. The Practice
 - * Proverbs 1:8; 6:20; 13:1; 15:5
 - * Proverbs 29:15; 29:17; 19:18; 23:13-14; 22:15; 3:12; 13:24; 20:30

2. REGARDING I _____ (cf. Proverbs 19:14; 13:22)

B. To The Children

- 1. IN YOUR A_
 - a. Toward Your Parents (cf. Proverbs 23:22; 15:20; 30:17; 30:11; 19:26; 28:24)
 - b. Toward Correction (cf. Proverbs 1:8; 6:20; 13:1; 15:5; 12:1; 19:27)

2. IN YOUR A

* cf. Proverbs 19:13; 23:24-25; 10:1; 17:21; 17:25; 29:3; 28:7)

INTROSPECTION

- * PARENTS, TO WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DEDICATING YOUR CHILDREN? IS THERE A NEED TO ALTER THE COURSE?
- * WHAT DOES THE INSTRUCTION / TRAINING / DISCIPLINE OF YOUR HOUSE LOOK LIKE? IS IT BIBLICAL?
- * KIDS, DO YOU MAKE YOURSELF A BLESSING TO YOUR PARENTS? OR, DO YOU CAUSE MORE GRIEF?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * Read Matthew 18:1-14. How do the words of Jesus apply to the Proverbs regarding the Parental Relationship?
- * Read Ephesians 6:1-4. How does the instruction of these Proverbs tie together with the instruction of Paul?

In General ...

Proverbs 3:33 The curse of the LORD is on the house of the wicked, but He blesses the home of the just *(of the righteous)*. Proverbs 20:7 The righteous man walks in his integrity; his children are blessed after him. Proverbs 15:17 Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a fatted calf with hatred. Proverbs 17:1 Better is a dry morsel with quietness, than a house full of feasting with strife.

Regarding the Parental Relationship

To The Parents

REGARDING INSTRUCTION

The Principle

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

- Train ... khanak to dedicate (Deuteronomy 20:5; 1 Kings 8:63; 2 Chronicles 7:5; Proverbs 22:6)
- ... khanukah dedication (Numbers 7:10,11,84,88; 2 Chronicles 7:9; Nehemiah 12:27; Psalms 30:1.) *Child* ... na'ar child; young man
 - Psalm 37:25 I have been young (na'ar), and now am old (zaqen); yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his descendants begging bread.
- **Old** ... zaqen old; aged (Genesis 18:12,13; 19:31; 24:1; 27:1,2; Joshua 13:1; 23:1,2; Ruth 1:12; 1 Samuel 2:22; 4:18; 8:1,5; 12:2; 17:12; 2 Samuel 19:32; 1 Kings 1:1,15; 2 Kings 4:14; 1 Chronicles 23:1; 2 Chronicles 24:15; Job 14:8; Psalms 37:25; Proverbs 22:6; 23:22)

TO WHAT, OR TO WHAT PATH, ARE YOU DEDICATING YOUR CHILDREN? TO WHOM ARE YOU DEDICATING YOUR CHILDREN?

The Practice

Proverbs 1:8 My son, hear the instruction (musar) of your father, and do not forsake the law (torah) of your mother; Proverbs 6:20 My son, keep your father's command (mitsvah), and do not forsake the law (torah) of your mother. Proverbs 13:1 A wise son heeds his father's instruction (musar), but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke. Proverbs 15:5 A fool despises his father's instruction (musar), but he who receives correction (tokekhah) is prudent.

Proverbs 29:15 The rod and rebuke (tokekhah) give wisdom, but a child left to himself brings shame to his mother. Proverbs 29:17 Correct (yasar) your son, and he will give you rest; yes, he will give delight to your soul.

Proverbs 19:18 Chasten (yasar) your son while there is hope, and do not set your heart on his destruction.

Proverbs 23:13-14 ¹³ Do not withhold correction (musar) from a child, for if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. ¹⁴ You shall beat him with a rod, and deliver his soul from hell.

Proverbs 22:15 Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; the rod of correction (musar) will drive it far from him. Proverbs 3:12 For whom the LORD loves He corrects (yakakh-to judge,determine, appoint,rebuke), Just as a father the son in whom he delights.

Proverbs 13:24 He who spares his rod hates his son, but he who loves him disciplines (musar) him promptly. Proverbs 20:30 Blows that hurt cleanse away evil, as do stripes the inner depths of the heart.

REGARDING INHERITANCE

Proverbs 19:14 Houses and riches are an inheritance from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the LORD. Proverbs 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

<u>To The Children</u>

IN YOUR ATTITUDE

Toward Your Parents

Proverbs 23:22 Listen to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old (zaqen).

Proverbs 15:20 A wise son makes a father glad, but a foolish man despises his mother.

Proverbs 30:17 The eye that mocks his father, and scorns obedience to his mother, the ravens of the valley will pick it out, and the young eagles will eat it.

Proverbs 30:11 There is a generation that curses its father, and does not bless its mother.

Proverbs 19:26 He who mistreats his father and chases away his mother is a son who causes shame and brings reproach. Proverbs 28:24 Whoever robs his father or his mother, And says, "It is no transgression," The same is companion to a destroyer.

Toward Correction

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Proverbs 12:1 Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, But he who hates correction is stupid.

Proverbs 19:27 Cease listening to instruction, my son, and you will stray from the words of knowledge.

IN YOUR ACTIONS

Proverbs 19:13 A foolish son is the ruin of his father, and the contentions of a wife are a continual dripping.

Proverbs 23:24-25²⁴ The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice, and he who begets a wise child will delight in him. ²⁵ Let your father and your mother be glad, and let her who bore you rejoice.

Proverbs 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon: A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is the grief of his mother.

Proverbs 17:21 He who begets a scoffer does so to his sorrow, and the father of a fool has no joy.

Proverbs 17:25 A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her who bore him.

Proverbs 29:3 Whoever loves wisdom makes his father rejoice, but a companion of harlots wastes his wealth.

Proverbs 28:7 Whoever keeps the law is a discerning son, but a companion of gluttons shames his father.