

Building a Strong Family
Parents follow God's leading

I. Why?

- A. They must _____ for their family
1. Provide for their _____ needs
 - a. Until they reach adulthood
 - b. Our priority – Seek God first (Matt 6:25; 33-34)
 2. Provide for their _____ needs
 - a. Teach them to _____ the Lord (Prov 15:16)
Fearing the Lord gives us:
 - i. _____ (Prov 1:7)
 - ii. _____ (Prov 10:27)
 - iii. _____ (freedom from sin)
(Prov 16:6)
 - iv. _____ (Prov 22:4)
 - b. Teach them to _____ (Prov 15:17)
 - c. Provide a _____ and _____
home (Prov 17:1)

- B. They must _____ their children
(Until they reach adulthood)

1. Proper discipline is an act of _____ toward
your children (Prov 13:24)
2. Discipline:
 - a. removes _____ (Prov 22:15)
 - b. helps _____ the child (Prov 23:13-14)
 - c. provides _____ (Prov 29:15)
 - d. brings _____ and _____ to the
home (Prov 29:17)
3. Discipline must be timely, appropriate and done out of
_____ (Prov 19:18; Eph. 6:4)

- C. They must _____ their children

1. Parents focus on gaining _____
(Prov 24:3-4; Col. 2:2-3)
2. Parents _____ a blameless and righteous life
(Prov 20:7; Matt. 6:33)
3. Parents _____ their children the wisdom
they gained so their children will _____ a
blameless and righteous life (Prov 22:6; Eph 6:4)

- II. God decides to _____ Abraham (Gen. 22:1a)

- III. Abraham's response – _____ (Gen 22:3-6)

Children obey (While at home) and honor their Parents

- I. Why? So they will _____ and receive
_____ (Eph 6:1-3)

Eph 6:1-3 - 6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— ³ "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."^[a]

- II. Children can ask questions
Isaac's question – Where is the _____ for the
sacrifice? (Gen 22:7-8)
- III. Ultimately, children need to obey and honor their parents
Isaac _____ his father to place him on the
_____ (Gen. 22:9b)

Families worship God

- I. The moment of truth for Abraham and Isaac (Gen. 22:9-10)
- II. God stops Abraham (Gen 22:11-12)
- III. God provides a sacrifice for Abraham and Isaac (Gen 22:13)

Questions to Ponder

- I. For parents of children at home or adult children:
- A. Do you _____ God's _____?
 - B. Do you _____ a _____ life?
 - C. How do you _____ for your children?
 - D. How do you _____ your children?
(For parents of children still at home)
- II. For children who still live at home:
- A. Do you _____ and _____
your parents?
 - B. Do you _____ your parents' _____
example? (If available)
- III. For adult children:
- A. Do you _____ your parents?
 - B. Do you _____ a _____ life?
 - C. Do you _____ for your parents as they get
_____?
- IV. For everyone: Do you _____ with your family?

