

UPCOMING EVENTS

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- Small Group Meet & Greet - Sunday, January 26th
- VBC Rummage Sale - Saturday, February 1st @ 7am
- Men's Ministry Toolbox Talk - Saturday, February 8th @ 8am
- VBC Winter Basketball Begins - Begins Sunday, February 9th (Registration Open)

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SONGS & SERMONS

- "Your Grace is Enough" - Matt Maher
- "Way Maker" - Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu
- "Good, Good Father" - Anthony Brown,
Pat Barrett
- "No Longer Slaves" - Jonathan David Helsler,
Melissa Helsler

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Operating Budget Need.....\$34,979.00
Y-T-D General Fund Need.....\$69,958.00

Giving Last Week.....\$71,115.00
Y-T-D Giving.....\$102,042.00

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HABITS of the HEART

01/19/20 | MUSIC: DAN GILLETTE & NATALIE PEARCE | MESSAGE: RANDY WHITE

MESSAGE NOTES

Developing Healthy Heart Habits with our Family
Ephesians 6:1-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth. (Colossians 3:1-2)

Now that Christ is our life, and we've been changed by the gospel, it follows that what God has done through Jesus Christ is going to change the way we view the parent and child relationship.

A. We have a sacred responsibility to value children as Jesus and Paul taught.

But whoever causes one of these little ones who believes in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. (Matthew 18:6)



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B. Children are to respect their parents by obeying and honoring them in the Lord.

1. It's right.

2. It's biblical.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise).
(V1-2)

"Honor your father and mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you." **(Exodus 20:12)**

But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household, and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God. Command these things as well, so that they may be without reproach. But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of this household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.
(1 Timothy 5:4,7-8)

3. It's in the children's best interest and promotes a full life.

That it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.
(V3)

My child, listen when your father corrects you. Don't neglect your mother's instruction. What you learn from them will crown you with grace and be a chain of honor around your neck.
(Proverbs 1:8-9)

C. Parents are to create an atmosphere of love, grace and spiritual input for children to grow.

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. **(V4)**

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.
(Colossians 3:21)

- How are we doing as parents and grandparents? What are we teaching our children to help them understand God and the Bible?
- How would you describe the habits of your family life? Is there a clear set of patterns designed to shape the lives of every family member to have an opportunity to trust in Christ and live for Him?
- What are some of the best things as parents we can do for our children?