

Message Notes

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Parent Yourself First
(Dt. 6:4-5; Eph. 6:4)
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- ◆ Discovery #1: parenting is all about the _____.
- ◆ Myth: If you do this thing...you will get a _____ result.
- ◆ Discovery #2: we can do the right thing in the wrong _____, and it becomes the _____ thing.
- ◆ Jesus offers us a _____ way of parenting that doesn't leave us filled with _____ and regret.

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.⁵ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them as you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Dt. 6:4-7

- ◆ We need to _____ by _____. Phil. 3:16; 1 Tim. 4:12
- ◆ The most _____ thing parents can do for their kids is to spend time with Jesus, to learn from Jesus, how to live the way of Jesus. Mt. 4:19, Mt. 28:18-20; Jn. 8:31, John 13:12-17; 20:21

The Goal of Parenting

- ◆ A _____ is _____ dependent on people or circumstances beyond our control.
- ◆ A _____ depends on the cooperation of other people and circumstances & we _____ control its fulfillment.

Parents do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. Eph. 6:4

- ◆ We're not responsible for the _____, just the _____.
- ◆ _____ as a parent means parenting my child the _____ Jesus parents me. John 1:12; Col. 2:9
- ◆ Am I _____?