

TRUTH

Extreme Makeover...Family Edition (Part 5)

⁴⁷ ‘Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.’ John 17:17 (NASB)

⁶⁰ The sum of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous ordinances is everlasting.” Psalm 119:160 (NASB)

²³ ‘Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.’” Luke 21:33 (NASB)

I. STRONG FAMILIES ARE BUILT ON TRUTH.

²⁴ ‘Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ Everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and it fell—and great was its fall.’” Matthew 7:24-27 (NASB)

A. Two kinds of families

B. One kind of experience

“Every family encounters storms.”

C. Two kinds of outcomes

II. BUILDING MY FAMILY ON TRUTH REQUIRES DILIGENCE.

A. Diligence to avoid foolish issues

⁴ Remind them of these things, and solemnly charge them in the presence of God not to wrangle about words, which is useless and leads to the ruin of the hearers.” 2 Timothy 2:14 (NASB)

“You only get so many words of influence in your family.”

B. Diligence to prioritize the word of truth

¹⁵ Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.” 2 Timothy 2:15 (NASB)

III. BUILDING MY FAMILY ON TRUTH REQUIRES CORRECTION.

²⁴ The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, ²⁵ with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth,” 2 Timothy 2:24-25 (NASB)

Kinds of Opposition I May Face:

A. Opposition of understanding

B. Opposition of tiredness

C. Opposition of emotional distance

You are not standing for truth in your home unless you are standing for truth at the point that brings opposition.

IV. BUILDING MY FAMILY ON THE TRUTH REQUIRES RELATIONSHIP.

⁴ You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, ¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.” 2 Timothy 3:14-15 (NASB)

⁵ For I am mindful of the sincere faith within you, which first dwelt in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am sure that it is in you as well.” 2 Timothy 1:5 (NASB)

A. With the learner

⁴ ‘Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead. ⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.’” Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (NASB)

B. That the teacher must have with Jesus Christ

²⁹ ‘You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me;’” John 5:39 (NASB)

V. FAMILIES BUILT ON TRUTH PREVAIL.

¹⁶ All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;” 2 Timothy 3:16 (NASB)

Some Ideas on Building Families on the Truth:
