Sunday AM Sermon - February 28, 2021

Family Roots: Proper Priorities

1 Samuel 2:27-36

My grandchildren have a ring and pole set where you must place the different sized rings in the right order for them to fit on the pole. The more mature ones figure it out easily, but the younger ones often struggle. Isn't that the way it is with us and life's priorities?





- Mark the number of times you hear these words:
 Priority or priorities –
 Eli –
 Family –
- 2. What does it mean to put God first in our lives?
- 3. What does it mean to willingly take the yoke of Jesus?
- 4. How do you determine if there are gods in your life?
- 5. First, in Eli's home, replaced
- 6. What was missing from Eli's sons?
- 7. Second, in Eli's home, _____ replaced _____
- 8. What mistake(s) did Eli make as a dad?
- 9. How can church make family into an idolatrous institution?
- 10. What is the danger of being a "family-centered" parent?
- 11. Third, in Eli's home, _____ replaced _____
- 12. What was the outcome of Eli honoring his sons above God?
- 13. What does it mean to be Christ's student?
- 14. What blessings come from make priorities clear, simple and lived?
- 15. What do we learn about priorities from Jesus?



Faith Talk, Faith Walk

Spend time with family or friends (maybe over a meal or during a family devotional) discussing the following related to the sermon

Faith Talk: What are your life priorities and how were they formed?

Faith Walk: Reorder your priorities according to the teachings of Jesus Christ.

If you are here and have been touched or convicted by something said or done today we would love to study the Bible with you and introduce you more fully to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Just call the church office at 795-4377 and we will set something up. God bless you!

Family Roots: Proper Priorities Discussion Starter Questions

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- 1. Putting something or someone first ... Give some examples of people putting something or someone first. Why do they do it?
- 2. What does it mean to put God first in our lives?
- 3. Give some examples of gods/idols in our lives that compete against our putting God first.
- 4. We hear people talk a lot about priorities. In what ways are priorities helpful?
- 5. Eli's sons got their priorities confused. Which of their "replacements" are you most apt to struggle with and why?
- 6. What is the difference between attending lectures and being someone's student?
- 7. What are some ways to discover your true priorities?
- 8. What are some things you can do to make sure your family priorities match what Jesus teaches?