Sermon Supplement from July 16

"A Foundation For Family Discipleship" | Deuteronomy 6

Warm Up: What role did/does your family play in your spiritual formation?

Dig In

- Read through Deuteronomy 6 and talk about relevant conclusions for discipling the next generation.
- Do you agree that God has given the PRIMARY responsibility for discipling children to their parents? Why or Why not?
- How have families outsourced this responsibility and what are some of the consequences?
- What role do you believe the church family should play in the discipleship and training of children and families?

Apply - 4 Principles were given for Family Discipleship. Respond to each and talk about how you might apply each in your own life.

- 1. Show them before you tell them.
- 2. Prioritize relationship development over behavior modification.
- 3. Teach them the truth.
- 4. Welcome their questions.

Resources: *Key Books for Parents*

- Shepherding A Child's Heart by Tedd Tripp
- <u>Instructing A Child's Heart</u> by Tedd Tripp
- Age Of Opportunity by Paul Tripp focuses specifically on raising teens
- The Jesus Storybook Bible a great Bible to read with young kids at bedtime
- 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity by Rebecca McLaughlin an excellent book on cultural issues for teens.

(Note: When searching for parenting resources, always look for resources that focus on the heart, a relationship with God, and the Gospel rather than simply techniques for behavior modification. If you would like more resources, please contact Pastor Steve or Pastor Loren. We would love to help!)