

Series: Be Committed

“Be Committed to Your Child (Children)”

(Mother’s Day Sunday Morning May 12th, 2024)

Passage: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Mark 12:29-30 “29 Jesus answered, ‘The foremost is, ‘HEAR, O ISRAEL! THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; 30 AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.’

* The First Era of Time in Our Nation Can be Described as the A _____ Era

* The Second Era of Time in Our Nation Can be Described as the I _____ Era

* The Third Era of Time in Our Nation Can be Described as the I _____ Era

I. There is a Dedicated L _____ That Must be L _____

1) It is a Life of R _____

Num 33:55 "...if you do not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you, then it shall come about that those whom you let remain of them will become as pricks in your eyes and as thorns in your sides, and they will trouble you in the land in which you live”

Moses was saying, in essence, that, because they did not drive these Canaanites out of the land as God had commanded them to do, they would be forced to struggle against a tide of s _____.

2) It is a Life of R _____

Deut 5:6-21 (Turn and Read)

F _____ of the Ten Commandments are directly related to the family.

Deut 6:12 “then watch yourself, that you do not forget the LORD who brought you from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery”

Deut 32:15 "But Jeshurun (This was a term of endearment for Israel which means ‘the righteous one’) grew fat and kicked -- (rebelled) You are grown fat, thick, and sleek -- then he forsook God who made him, and scorned the Rock of his salvation” (Emphasis Added)

II. There is a Divine L _____ Who Must be L _____

1) We Need to Love God E _____

The God we believe in does make a world of difference Spiritually and s _____.

John 14:6 “Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me”

2) We Need to Love God E_____

John 14:15 "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments"

This is not a superficial kind of love; this is a love that p_____ our entire life as tripartite beings emotionally, physically and spiritually.

III. There are Definite L_____ That Must be L_____

1) We Need to I_____ Our Faith Upon Them

Isa 28:9-10 "9 To whom would He teach knowledge, and to whom would He interpret the message? Those just weaned from milk? Those just taken from the breast? 10 'For He says, 'Order on order, order on order, Line on line, line on line, a little here, a little there.'"

I agree with those who say that from birth to age seven are "The f_____ years."

2) We Need to I_____ Our Faith for Them

There is also a word in Hebrew that means "n_____ conversation," and that is the word that is used here.

Matt 6:26 "(Jesus said)... 'Look at the birds of the air..."

Matt 13:13 "(Jesus Said) ... 'A Sower went out to sow...'"

Gen 1:24-25 "24 Then God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind'; and it was so. 25 God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that it was good."

3) We Need to I_____ Our Faith to Them

This means that we need to be b_____ e_____ to identify ourselves as Christians and to identify our family as a Christian family.

Joshua 24:15 "...as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)

2 Tim 1:5 "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."

The most important thing you can do for your child is to lead him (or her) by your w_____ and your a_____ to embrace Jesus Christ as his (or her) personal Lord and Savior.