## **Developing Boldness & Spiritual Confidence**

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## (FPEA Home School Convention Workshop in the Tallahassee Room) Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 at 11am to 12:30pm

- 1. **CHILDREN ARE A HERITAGE OF THE LORD** (They are on loan from God to be raised for God.)
  - Psa\_127:3 Lo, children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* the fruit of the womb *is his* reward.

#### 2. CHILDREN ARE TO BE TAUGHT ABOUT THE LORD

- Psa 78:2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
- Psa 78:3 Which we have heard and known, and our **fathers have told us**.
- Psa 78:4 **We will not hide** *them* **from their children**, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.
- Psa 78:5 For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that **they should make them known to their children**:
- Psa 78:6 That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children:
- Psa 78:7 That they might **set their hope in God**, and **not forget the works of God**, but keep his commandments:
- Psa 78:8 And might **not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation**; a generation *that* set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

## 3. CHILDREN ARE TO LOVE/FEAR THE LORD

- Deu 6:1 Now these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to **teach you**, **that ye might do** *them* in the land **whither ye go to possess it:**
- Deu 6:2 That thou mightest **fear the LORD** thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.
- Deu 6:3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it;* that it may be well with thee, (**Raising the children to fear the Lord will bring blessings to the parents**) and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.
- Deu 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

Deu 6:5 And thou shalt **love the LORD** thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. **(Is this the description of your children?)**Deu 6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:
And thou shalt **teach them diligently unto thy children**, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

#### 4. CHILDREN ARE TO BE TRAINED TO SERVE GOD

Pro 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. (**Proverbs has More Principles than Promises**)
(Should the child develop the desire to serve the Lord, he will have the training.)

### 5. CHILDREN ARE TO BE STRONG IN THEIR FAITH TO STAND ON THEIR OWN

Col 2:6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Col 2:7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ve have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. **Beware** lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the Col 2:8 tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. **Study** to shew thyself approved unto God, a **workman** that needeth not to be 2Ti 2:15 ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2Ti 2:16 But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; 2Ti 2:17 2Ti 2:18 Who **concerning the truth have erred**, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord 2Ti 2:19 knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

#### 6. CHILDREN ARE TO RECOGNIZE ERROR

But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, <b>deceiving</b> , <b>and being</b>
deceived.
But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been
assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;
And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are
able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine,
(What's right) for reproof, (What's wrong) for correction(How to make it
right), for instruction in righteousness: (How to teach it right)
That the <b>man of God</b> may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good
works.

#### 7. CHILDREN ARE TO DEDICATE THEIR LIVES TO THE LORD

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

#### 8. CHILDREN ARE NOT TO BE CONFORMED TO THE WORLD

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

# 9. CHILDREN ARE TO DEVELOP GREAT CONFIDENCE TO DO THE WILL OF GOD

Heb 10:35 Cast not away therefore **your confidence**, which hath great recompence of reward.

Heb 10:36 For ye have need of patience, that, after **ye have done the will of God**, ye might receive the promise.

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