

Lesson 12

Teaching Others the Fear of the Lord

“Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.” Ps 34:11

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Dt 6:1-25 and Dt 31:12-13 and explain what was a major truth that Moses wanted parents to understand and teach to their children? Did they do that? Explain how you know they did not do that.

Consider the book of Judges, especially 2:6-15! Now read Ps 34:1-14 and consider David’s desire declared in verse 11. What does he want to teach the young ones of Israel?

If Solomon, the wisest man ever lived could advise on what to teach your children what do you think it would be?

Now read these verses in order (do not be discouraged by the number it is part of the exercise and further proves the point). If you can read them electronically one right after another it will further highlight the point with great emphasis! I did and it blew me away!

Prov 1:7; 1:29; 2:5; 3:7; 8:13; 9:10; 10:27; 14:26; 14:27; 15:16; 15:33; 16:6; 19:23; 23:17; 24:21; 29:25

Now read Eccl 12:13 and consider what should we be helping our families understand.

Can you fulfill Eph 6:4 and not teach your children about this? What must happen long before you ever teach anything?

Why do you think what happened to the 3rd generation of Israel (Judg 2:6-15) took place? Do you think the same thing will not happen to our families if we follow that pattern?

True learning does not really solidify until you teach others. Who are you going to teach all that you have been learning to? How will you teach it to them? Explain...write a plan!

Memory Verse: Ps 130:3-4

"What can motivate you when the thought of your relationship to God ceases to grip you? What frown can turn you from evil when God's frown no longer turns you from it? What smile can induce you to walk in the path of righteousness when God's smile will no longer induce you? There is nothing else the can do it. When you have gotten beyond the constraining and compelling influence of the fear of God, functioning in conjunction with the compelling power of the love of Christ (2 Cor 5:14), you have gotten beyond the sphere in which holiness can be perfected (2 Cor 7:1). The only soil out of which godliness grows is the fear of God." (Albert N. Martin, *The Forgotten Fear*, 118-19)