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## Families (Sermon Outlines)

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# MY FAMILY: ITS CHALLENGES; ITS RESOURCES; ITS NEEDS

- I. I want you to see 3 things - family: challenge, resources, & needs.
- II. My family's challenge.
  - A. Swelling movement of unrest.
    1. Do we give goals & maturity. Give hand hold traditions too!
    2. Stabilize? I remember Dad said - "  
Isa. 26:3 "Thou will keep him in perfect peace
  - B. Openness c sex.
    1. Sign on Uni. Bulletin board "SEX" big letters.  
Beneath, "Now that I have your attention, I've  
'lost my umbrella."  
I Cor. 6:13 "Now the body is not for fornication b
    2. Free love is neither free, nor love, nor right.
  - C. Widening gap between what I think is right & the  
next generation down does.
    1. Youth makes own decisions.
    2. We don't know what the other means. Family told  
2 yr. old going to fly - "But I don't know how to  
fly!" his only response.
    3. Can we talk only of unimportant things?  
Deut. 6:6-7 "And thou shalt teach them diligently
  - D. Making ends meet.

"Granddad saved his 1st dollar in a 10¢ frame -  
now frame worth \$1.00 & \$1.00 worth a dime."  
Matt. 6:24 "No man can serve 2 masters  
25 "Take no thot for your life

E. Robbing children of childhood; thru three P's:

- 1. Possessiveness - because parents are insecure. It deprives.
- 2. Permissiveness - if he wants it, let him have it. Are we a soft touch - youth spent \$20 Billion on products "of their own choose" last yr.

I Kings 1:6 (RSV) "His father had never at any time displeased him by asking, 'Why have you done thus & so

I Pet. 2:16 (NEB) "Live as free men; not however as though your freedom were there to provide a screen for wrongdoing, but as slaves in God's service."

"Minding one's children does not mean obeying them."

3. Pressure - Kids get old younger.

(a) Learn 4th R - Rat Race - Raid, Reck & Ruin.

- (1) Unrest.
- (2) Sex.
- (3) Gap on right & wrong.
- (4) Finances.
- (5) Childhood
- (6) Summary: *Unrest, Sex, Standard, #, Rob.*

III. My Family Resources.

A. Home is where I count - there I am somebody.

- 1. Accepted - Mark Twain, "Try complimenting your wife even tho it may frighten her at 1st.
- 2. Loved.
  - (a) 36% men on U. of Cal., Berkley said they'd never had a close friend.
  - (b) Chad Everett clip.

B. We need to emphasize to strengthn above:

- 1. Being together.



(a) David Snell said 1 command meal - breakfast - always there - always Power read & prayer held.

2. Make home interesting.

(a) Woman, "I live on island, my husband lives on island - neither of us can swim."

3. Things eternal - not material.

(a) Are mothers there? 48% adult female work force have kids 6 to 17 yr. old.

(b) Why's she gone? Materialism, independence, excitement?

(c) How many jobs daddy got?

(d) 84% of today's teenagers are church members; 50% attend church regularly - influence with religious values.

(e) 95% all homes watch TV 6 1/2 hrs. per day!

(f) Clip on Raisin in the Sun.

C. Summary on resources:

1. Accepted.

2. Loved.

3. Strengthen by togetherness, mutual interest, eternal things.

IV. Home's Needs.

A. Dad as head.

Josh. 24:15 "And if it seem evil unto you

B. Utilize grandparents.

1. Retire at 65 got 25,000 hrs. of extra time for the ave. rest of life.

2. Don't lose touch c youth & exile elderly.

C. Work.

1. Infra red oven, electrified screen for bugs, flash

freeze refrig., radio controlled mower, where's work?

2. Need to shell peas!

D. God's guidance.

Judges 17:6 "Every man did what was

1. Love the Key.

Lu. 6:46 "Why call ye me Lord, Lord"

Matt. 25:21 Well done, not well thot, or preached

E. Summary - hard to fail c

- 1. Good parents.
- 2. Good grandparents.
- 3. Work.
- 4. God's guidance.

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 college church, Okla. City, Ladies Bible Class 9-12-73  
 Ky. Child Care Assn., Nazareth, Ky, 9-23-75  
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# I WANT A NOBLE FAMILY

I. For a man or woman to have this ambition we face the need of seeing certain necessities:

A. Husband.

B. Wife.

C. Children.

1. Each is so large it's a lesson in itself.

2. We want to at least make a stab at the 1st 2.

II. We need good wives.

A. The Peter Passage.

1 Pet. 3:1-6 Read.

1. Wright card. - #1

2. Offer comments on text. #2

B. Eph. Passage.

Eph. 5:22-23 "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own

1. What is submit? Card #3

2. Good horse sense card.

C. Some facts & figures.

1. Wife will be a widow 7 yrs. national USA ave. -- some insurance co. as high as 11.

2. 1st cry of most marriages - how do I get husband to communicate - his only interest is sex. Such is used as reward & punishment.

a.) Do you pay a daily compliment? When have you told him something you like about him?

b.) Have you established your own methology?

(1) Date once per wk. - w/o kids or anybody - when or where doesn't matter - do it.

(2) Is wife easy on eyes when he leaves each morning? He'll be c attractive women - easy



to remember you? Send him out smiling.  $4\frac{1}{2}^2$ .

- (3) Do you portray spirit of gratitude.  $4\frac{3}{4}$  #5
- (4) Do any mutual reading - see "1st night" card.
- (5) Is confidence established - psychologist say none <sup>reveal</sup> ~~real~~ self unless he's promised what he reveals will be received in mercy.

c.) Name some killers.

- 1.) Compare him with the more successful.
- 2.) Snipe at what he can't change - wavy now bald
- 3.) Tell him how he should have done it.
- 4.) Put him down for what he can't do naturally - fix the faucet.
- 5.) Compare his family unfavorably c yours.
- 6.) Drag up old boy friends.
- 7.) Greet him c calamities.

d.) Questions for you.

- 1.) Do you know about family finances.
- 2.) Do you put kids ahead of husband & leave him lonesome.
- 3.) Do you study his field & enjoy it?
- 4.) Any mutual hobbies.
- 5.) Can you pray together?

III. Good Husbands.

- A. Read 1 Pet. 3 & Eph. 5.
- B. You proposed the marriage.
1. Frankfurter crack.
  2. New image card. # 6

C. Questions for husband.

1. Do you treat general public c best manners & save worst for home?