Series: Biblical Relationships

WEEK 8

D. Understanding the Sins of the Father – Ex 20:5; 34:7; Num 14:18; Deut 5:9

Although I have physically left my parents...they live on in my home through me (same with you too!) I learned many, many good things from my parents, and I hope that in teaching my children, they will learn from me and live on through their lives.

We must understand that just like the good things, we also got the bad.

We can see, FIRSTHAND, the results in our own lives!

The point is **NOT** to blame them, but rather to **RECOGNIZE** things about ourselves! (just like our kids)

- 1. **LOT** and his daughters see *Luke 17:26-29*
 - o Gen 13:8-13 He compromises for **PERSONAL** gain
 - o Gen 19:1 He compromised for **POSITION** he was a leader in that city!
 - o Gen 19:2-30 His conscience was **DEFILED** 2-3; 6-8; 14; 16; 18; 26; 30
 - o *Gen 19:31-36* The consequence of his sin was manifest in his daughters Moab and Ammon they justify their sin, lie and easily give over to sexual sin

NOTE: Lot personally thought that he was a man of character (while he lived in Sodom) ... by comparison (we must always compare ourselves to Christ!)

- 2. **JACOB** and his children
 - o Gen 27:1-29
 - o Gen 25:29-34; 27:18-27
 - o Gen 33:2; 37:3-4; 44:19-30
 - o Gen 37-50
- 3. **Abraham** and Isaac
 - o Gen 20:1-2, 11
 - o Gen 26:6-7

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- 4. Other Biblical Examples
 - o Eli and his sons
 - Aaron and his sons
 - Achan and his lineage
- 5. Minimizing the negative effects
 - Understand the <u>FACTS</u>:
 - What we do in moderation our children will often do in excess.
 - o In order to tolerate our sin, our children must learn to tolerate it in others.
 - We must know what are our areas of sin in order to help them.
 - o Do not **COMPROMISE** -
 - MEMORIZE scripture concerning your particular sin / fault Ps 119:11; 2
 Cor 10:4; James 4:7
 - Be open and <u>HONEST</u> with wife / husband and children concerning sin / fault...be willing to say, "I was wrong" ... and then change!