Relationship Goals: A Wonderful Inheritance

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I. A Good Name & God's Instructions

Proverbs 22:1-6 (NIV)

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- 2 The rich and the poor have this in common: The Lord is the Maker of them all.
- **3** The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the penalty..
- **4** Humility is the fear of the Lord; its wages are riches and honor and life.
- 5 In the paths of the wicked are snares and pitfalls, but those who would preserve their life stay far from them.
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Ephesians; 6:1-4 (NIV) **1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. **2** "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), **3** "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." **4** Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

II. Honor

Exodus 20:12 (NKJV) *The Fifth Commandment* **12** "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you."

Selected writings of Alma Meadows Riffe to her children:

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- Who wrote? To forgive is to set a prisoner free and then discover that prisoner was me.
- It is better to choose what you say than to say what you choose.

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- Know that there IS a God
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 My Dad's expanded version of the ABC's of Salvation:

Accept - Believe - Confess

III. Several Ways YOU Can Serve Here at TCND

- O Guest Experience Team (Greeters)
- O Outreach Team
- O Worship Team (Musical)
- O Alter Prayer Team
- ${\bf O} \ \ {\bf Children's \ Next \ Generation \ Team \ (Teachers \ \& \ Helpers)}$
- O Safety Team
- O Tower Team (Sound, Projection, Visuals)

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