



Week 8- "Parenting From A Gospel Centered Perspective"

Christianity offers us an incredible opportunity to read documents written by people who knew Jesus. They wrote first hand accounts of what Jesus said and what He did. In this series, we are reading a letter written to the Ephesians by a guy named Paul. In this week's message we look at how the Gospel changes our perspective on parenting and how these ideas impact our other relationships as well.

1. What stood out to you from the message?

The Gospel message says that we are more sinful than we ever dared believe, yet more loved than we ever dared hope, and in Christ more whole than we ever dared imagine.

2. How does the Gospel impact the way you see yourself and the way you see your kids?

Read Ephesians 6:1-4

3. What problems can arise if you only see your opinion as the only one valid?

4. How can showing Honor to your kids help them feel seen and loved?

5. How can asking the question: "Is there anything I can do differently as a parent?" impact your relationship with your kids?

6. What do you think it practically looks like to raise your kids with a Gospel centered understanding?

Read Ephesians 5:8-14

7. How can a gospel centered understanding help you create a safe place for your kids to share their struggles openly with you?
8. What do you think it practically looks like to relive the gospel everyday, and point your kids to do the same?
9. How could Gospel conversations that normalize sin-disease and a need for a Savior help your kids feel secure in your love and in God's love?
9. What step can you take this week to gain a deeper understanding of the Gospel for yourself and your kids?

When we re-live the Gospel everyday we can create a safe place where our kids don't have to hide their sin disease in shame. We can show Honor to our kids through seeing them as humans who have valid opinions, and needs. We can lean into our need for Jesus for wisdom as we normalize their sin-disease and point them to their need for a Savior. As we re-live the Gospel everyday we can show our kids that God's grace and deep unconditional love is not based on what they do but on who He is and what He has done.