

Live Sent @HOME: Children

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." (John 20:21)

MAIN IDEA:

Jesus was sent on mission, and He in turn sends His disciples on to continue his mission. Jesus came to seek and to save the lost. The greatest and first mission field is family. Children, prayerfully enter this holiday season looking to create and maximize opportunities for the light of the Gospel to shine through you to your family; parents, siblings and grandparents and beyond!

1. How important is the instruction you receive from your parents?

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, (Proverbs 1:8)

2. How important is obedience?

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." (Ephesians 6:1-3)

3. How important is age? How important is speech and conduct?

Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)

4. What is stewardship? Who is a steward? What am I to steward?

To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. (Matthew 25:29)

Learn that you are a steward of all things and begin practicing stewardship at home.

5. What is the will of our Heavenly Father?

Whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. (1 John 3:22-23)

Believe in Jesus/Love One Another

Life Application Questions

- 1. What impact can children have on their parents? Grandchildren on Grandparents?
- 2. Could it be that we do not see more maturity in children because we do not demand/ expect it?
- 3. What can parents do to train up their children to grow stronger in their faith?
- 4. How can the church better come along side parents in the spiritual nurture of their children?
- 5. Who has the primary responsibility of training their children? Parents? Schools? Coaches? Teachers? Church?
- 6. What can you do to help the young people you know connect to life in Jesus and become fully devoted followers of Jesus?
- 7. Pray for parents. Pray for children. Pray for the Lord to open doors of spiritual conversation between parents and children during the holiday seasons!