## "HOW DO WE IMPACT AND RESPOND TO THE NEXT GENERATION?"

#### Impact the next generation:

**Deuteronomy 6:4-9** (CSB) – Listen, Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them be a symbol on your forehead. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates.

- Everybody has the <u>responsibility</u> to reach the next generation.
- 2. **Parents** are the primary **disciple-makers** of their children.
  - Love by example.
  - <u>Teach</u> Christ constantly.

### Respond to the next generation:

1 Timothy 4:12 (CSB) – Don't let anyone despise your youth, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.

- 1. Recognize their role in the kingdom.
- 2. **Confirm** them before **criticizing** them.
- 3. Don't run away from them.
  - Proverbs 22:6 (CSB) Start a youth out on his way; even when he grows old he will not depart from it.

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#### Coming soon:

- "Love Made Known": Join us next week as we kick off a new series. We all struggle at times to feel God's love and to love others the way Jesus does. God not only wants us to know His love; He wants us to display His love. Don't miss this incredible series on the book of 1 John.
- Date Night: Join us for Date Night: Lasting Love on Friday, September 19, from 6-9 pm. Great marriages take hard work. Let's invest in our most important relationships. Dinner and childcare will be provided. Sign up at the Connect Center today.
- 3. **Good News Club**: DRC will serve in an after-school program again this year at Stony Mill Elementary. This is a great opportunity to impact kids in amazing ways. There will be an information meeting on Wednesday, September 10, at 6:30 pm. For more details, email Ashley Lumpkins: Alumpkins11@gmail.com.
- 4. **Serve @ DRC**: God has given each of us talents and gifts to use for His glory and for the good of others. How are you using what God has given you? Now is the perfect time to find a place to serve at DRC: Worship team, DRC Kids, DRC Students, Guest Services, or in another way. Fill out a Connect Card today and join a Serve Team.