

OUR IMPERFECT FAMILY

(GETTING REAL ABOUT THE HEALTH OF YOUR HOME)

Investing in Your Kids and Grandchildren

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Proverbs 24:3-4 - By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; ⁴ through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.

Mark 9:33-37 - They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" ³⁴ But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. ³⁵ Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all." ³⁶ He took a little child and had him stand among them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

Jesus tells us to "welcome" the child. So what does that look like?





1. _____ their life.

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Research shows that every kid needs five adults other than their parents who will have a positive influence in their life. Powell calls it the 5:1 Ratio.

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2. _____ their world.

	PRESCHOOL	⇒	Am I safe? Am I okay? Am I able?
	ELEMENTARY	⇒	Am I worthy of your attention? Do I have what it takes? Do I have any friends?
	MIDDLE SCHOOL	⇒	Who am I? Who do I like? Where do I belong?
	HIGH SCHOOL	⇒	Why should I believe? How can I matter? What will I do?

3. _____ your life.

Matthew 5:14-16 – “You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.”

A. _____

Do you help your kids to select the right friends?

1 Corinthians 15:33 - Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

B. _____

Character is the sum total of your choices and habits.

C. _____

They are watching you to see what is important to you.

D. _____

Matthew 6:33 – “But **seek first** his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

- **We need to set our priorities _____ to the activity.**