Chapter One

- 1. What qualifies you to *be* a parent?
- 2. What qualifies you to *parent*?
- 3. How can James 1:5 be such a comfort to parents?
- 4. Why does showing true commitment and kindness help in parenting?
- 5. What is the goal of parenting?
- 6. Why is it helpful to discuss the purpose of your parenting?
- 7. Why is it helpful to discuss any preconditioned expectations of parenting?
- 8. Why must parents agree upon and base their expectations upon scriptural principles?
- 9. How do parents adjust their initial expectations of parenting?
- 10. Why is focusing on Christ, and His pattern, so important in the parenting process?

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Chapter Two

- 1. What is a supreme goal of parenting?
- 2. Why is it so important that parents reveal the goal of parenting on a personal level?
- 3. What is it going to take to rear a child to serve and please the Lord?
- 4. Why is Samuel such a great example of a person being influenced with truth?
- 5. Why is the human element such an obstacle in child-rearing?
- 6. Consider all the scriptural principles taught in this chapter and consider how you will implement them in your child-rearing.
- Psalm 37:4
- Proverbs 18:24 (KJV)
- Matthew 5:3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 16-20, 37
- Matthew 6:33; 7:7
- Luke 6:30-36; 10:27
- Ephesians 4:15, 16, 26, 32
- Ephesians 6:1, 2
- Philippians 2:3
- · Colossians 3:23
- · 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19
- 1 Peter 1:16b

Chapter Three

- 1. What is a disciple?
- 2. What is obedience?
- 3. When it comes to obedience, what is the first step in following after God?
- 4. In parenting, what is the absolute standard?
- 5. How does the example of Saul's disobedience direct us toward obedience?
- 6. How does the example of Abraham's obedience direct us toward obedience?
- 7. What are the four qualities of true obedience?
- 8. How does each quality stand alone in its directives?
- 9. How does each quality relate to the other qualities of obedience?
- 10. What are the three overriding rules for your family?
- 11. What are the three overriding rules for child-rearing?
- 12. What is an appeal process? Why is it so helpful?

Chapter Four

- 1. Why is shepherding a child's heart so important?
- 2. Why is peace and calm a by-product of obedience?
- 3. For expectations to be realized, what must occur?
- 4. What is the motivation for discipline?
- 5. What are some important considerations in discipline?
- 6. Why should one establish ahead of time the basis for disciplining children?
- 7. Why should one establish ahead of time the standard implements for administering discipline?
- 8. Why should one establish a standard place to administer discipline?
- 9. Why should one establish a standard discipline policy?
- 10. Why should one establish ahead of time that he or she will always stay in control while disciplining?

11. Why should one establish ahead of time he or she will speak the truth in love, whether during discipline or casual conversation?

12. Why should one establish ahead of time reconciliation procedures?

Chapter Five

- 1. Why is a dad's influence of servant-leadership so important?
- 2. What is one ability in child-rearing to be desired above all others?
- 3. Why is it so important parents are disciplined themselves?
- 4. Why is following through with promises so important?
- 5. How does Deuteronomy 6:6-7 help parents today in their daily living and disciplining?
- 6. How can parents be living examples before their children?
- 7. Why is attitude so important?
- 8. Why is it so important to be able to "get away" from your children periodically?
- 9. What is a very important rule for your marriage and family? Why?
- 10. Why is being a role model so important?

Chapter Six

- 1. What are the characteristics of the telling phase, and which age is associated with this?
- 2. What are the characteristics of the instruction phase, and which age is associated with this?
- 3. What are the characteristics of the participating phase, and which age is associated with this?
- 4. What are the characteristics of the empowering phases and which age is associated with this?
- 5. What are the two important principles of modesty?
- 6. What is so important about rearing college and adult children?
- 7. Why is it so important to rear your children to leave?
- 8. What are the final two statements so important to leave with your children?
- 9. How does the teaching of Proverbs 13:12 affect parenting?
- 10. How does the teaching of Proverbs 13:19 affect parenting?