

FAMILY

The Way For Parents Ephesians 6:1-4

- A. God commands children to obey their parents, which implicitly implies that parents must _____ their children to obey. (6:1)
- B. God commands children to live in a way that demonstrates they value their parents above all others, which implicitly implies that parents should live in a manner _____ of their children's honor! (6:2-3)
- C. Parents, especially fathers, are commanded to live in a manner that _____ and _____ their children to love and obey Jesus! (6:4)

Note: Fathers shouldn't live and parent in a way that motivates their children to live with anger and resentment, but rather, live and parent in a way that feeds their children with the motivation and knowledge to embrace the behavior and teachings of _____ (The Gospel)!

Conclusion: _____ is the most influential force in the universe, therefore it's no wonder that there is no Biblically prescribed method for parenting, but rather a Biblically prescribed culture and goal for parenting.

Challenge:

- (1) How is your behavior (your general words, actions and attitude) and parenting (your interaction with your children) causing your children to want to _____ and _____ you?
- (2) How is your behavior and parenting feeding your children the knowledge and experience of the sacrificial love of _____ that suffered eternal death for us?
- (3) How is your behavior and parenting feeding your children the knowledge and experience to love _____ the way God expects to be loved ("with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37))?
- (4) How is your behavior and parenting feeding your children the knowledge and experience to love _____ the way God defines love (1 Corinthians 13)?
- (5) How is your behavior and parenting feeding your children the knowledge and experience to become an _____ adult?