"The Stewardship of our "TRIBE""

(My management of my family) (Selected Scriptures)

Introduction: God could trust Abraham to manage his family well (Genesis 18:19)

* As a spouse-parent, I must resolve to manage my family well for God's glory

To manage my family well, I must...

I. Be <u>rightly related to God</u> (having a deep reverence & love for Him) (Deut.6:4-6) (Lord, help me to walk with you, for their sakes)

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II. Fulfil my responsibility to <u>teach my family God's Word (Deut.6:7)</u> (Lord, give me the grace to train my family in your ways)

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III. <u>Control the influences</u> that come into my home (Deut.6:8-9; Ps. 101:2-3) (Lord, keep all wicked things out of my house; may it be adorned with your precepts)

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IV. <u>Provide</u> for my family's physical needs of food, clothing, shelter, & protection (1Tim.5:8) (Lord, give me strength to work to meet my family's necessities)

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V. <u>Pray</u> for my family every day (Job 1:5; Phil.4:6) (Lord, may I meet with you every day for their well-being)

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VI. <u>Prepare</u> for my family's future success (Ps.78:1-8; 1 Cor.7:36-38) (Lord, I will be responsible for their academic training and their marriage arrangement)

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VII. Be <u>committed to them</u> no matter what (Malachi 2:15-16) (Lord, I will never leave them, nor forsake them)

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VIII. <u>Serve</u> my Lord together with my family (Joshua 24:15) (Lord, assist me to lead my family in the paths of righteousness)