

Family Matters, Part 2: Parents Ephesians 6:1-4

The BIG Idea: Embrace the _____ of _____ - _____ parenting.

➤ In the Gospel, God is saying ...

- 1) I am _____ and in control.
- 2) I am good and _____.
- 3) I identify with you in your _____.

So ... you are _____ your child's _____. Isaiah 43:11, "I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no savior."

Calling Out Fathers

- 1) Parenting comes more _____ to moms.
- 2) God holds fathers responsible for the _____ of the home.

What NOT To Do

➤ Do not provoke your children to anger.

- 1) It is _____ to provoke a child to anger.
- 2) It is a _____ to provoke a child to anger.

Mark 9:42, "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea."

- 3) It is possible to provoke a child to _____ and _____.

How To Promote Peace and Joy

- 1) Own your _____.
- 2) Make your relationship with your _____ the priority.
- 3) Learn to distinguish _____ from _____.
- 4) Be _____ rather than cutting and critical.
- 5) Show them a gospel-shaped _____.

The Big Question

Are you an _____ parent?

The Bigger Question

Do you believe that your Heavenly Father has never _____ you to anger? Romans 8:28 ...