



CHILD-BLOCKING

NAME A PET PEEVE OF YOURS (LEADERS BREAK THE ICE)

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IS THE #1 DUTY OF A PARENT? NO WRONG ANSWERS, JUST FIRST THING THAT POPS INTO YOUR HEAD.

LET'S READ AS A GROUP MATTHEW 19:13-16

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO "RECEIVE THE KINGDOM OF GOD LIKE A LITTLE CHILD"? WHAT IS JESUS EMPHASIZING ABOUT CHILDREN THERE?

THE METAPHOR GOD USES TO DESCRIBE HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS PEOPLE MOST IS A FATHER TO A CHILD.

CHECK OUT THESE VERSES:

ISAIAH 64:8

PSALM 103:13

1 JOHN 3:1

DO THESE VERSES REMIND YOU OF THE PARENTAL FIGURES YOU KNOW?

CHECK OUT THESE COMMANDMENTS TO PARENTS:

PROVERBS 22:6
EPHESIANS 6:1-4

DO THESE COMMANDS STILL WORK IN PARENTING TODAY?

WHETHER YOU ARE A PARENT OR NOT YOU SHOULD CHECK OUT HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO RAISE UP THE NEXT GENERATION CORRECTLY.

WHEN THE ISRAELITES ARE LEAVING EGYPT AND GOD IS GIVING THEM INSTRUCTIONS LIKE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS AND HOW TO GOVERN THEMSELVES, HE COMMANDS THEM TO DO THIS IS

DEUTERONOMY 6:1-9

IS SETTING AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS ONLY FOR PARENTS OR DOES IT APPLY TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY?

WHEN IN YOUR LIFE DO YOU HAVE PEOPLE LOOKING AT YOUR EXAMPLE? (WORK, FAMILY GATHERINGS, CHURCH, ETC)

DO YOU SET ASIDE TIME FOR RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE THAT NEED YOUR INFLUENCE IN THEIR LIFE?

FINAL THOUGHTS?

PRAYER

