5. Is *quality* time with your children more important than *quantity* time? Explain.

6. Children are one of God's greatest tools for developing patience in a parent. How should your understanding of God impact your patience with your children?

7. In your own words, describe the difference between *aiming for control* and *aiming for maturity*.

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PERSONAL APPLICATION

- 1. What part of this study stood out to you most?
- 2. What steps will you take right away to begin applying these Biblical truths to your life?

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

II. Develop _____

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III. .

1 Thessalonians 5:11

IV. _____ your _____.

EPHESIANS 4:32: GALATIANS 5:22: JAMES 1:20

V. Use ______.

EPHESIANS 6:4; 5:1–2; COLOSSIANS 1:28–29; JAMES 4:6

STUDY & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. No human parent can be perfect, yet these lists seem to imply perfect parenting. How should a person respond to this high standard?

2. Many older Christians may look back at their parenting years with regrets. How would you counsel someone who feels he/she was a failure as a parent?

3. The personalities of some are more inclined toward cheerfulness than others. Why is it important that every parent aim for joy?

VI. Focus on ______.

EPHESIANS 6:4: DEUTERONOMY 6:5–9

4. How is being *fair* different from being *just*? Defend your answer.

Conclusion: Parents: to God's

_____. James 4:6

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