

## Reflections Of A Parent

I gave you life but cannot live it for you.  
I can give you directions, but I cannot be there to lead you.  
I can take you to church, but I cannot make you believe.  
I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you.  
I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you beautiful inside.  
I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.  
I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.  
I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.  
I can teach you respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.  
I can advise you about friends but cannot choose them for you.  
I can advise you about sex, but I cannot keep you pure.  
I can tell you about alcohol & drugs, but I can't say "No" for you.  
I can tell you about lofty goals, but I can't achieve them for you.  
I can teach you about kindness, but I can't force you to be gracious.  
I can pray for you, but I cannot make you walk with God.  
I can tell you how to live, but I cannot give you eternal life.  
I can love you with unconditional love all of my life... and I will.

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## For the Family

### Welcome

It is a pleasure to have you with us this hour. Our endeavor is to worship God in Spirit and in Truth by adhering to the scriptures in all that we do and teach.

If you desire to have a private Bible Study at your convenience, let us know.

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Meeting Location

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SUNDAY:

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### I. To the Family:

- A. Parents and their children:
  - 1. Gen. 26:34 – Isaac and Rebekah
  - 2. Job 1:4-5 – Job
  - 3. Prov. 1:8 – Solomon to his son
- B. Focus:
  - 1. Dan. 7:13-14 – And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom.”
  - 2. Lk. 2:52 – Wisdom, stature, favor with God and man:
- C. Two factors to consider:
  - 1. Josh. 24:15 – Life requires choices.
  - 2. 2 Pet. 1:10 – Your choice, so give diligence to make sure you are right.

## II. Stimulating Your Thoughts:

- A. 2 Kgs. 20:1-6 – Hezekiah: “thou shalt die and not live.” What would occupy your mind?
- B. Josh. 24:14-15 – Whatever you choose, you better be right.
- C. Heb. 3:1-6 – Christ is head over “God’s house.”

## III. God Is:

- A. Psa. 14:1 – Seen through conduct.
- B. Acts 14:17 – “left not himself without witness”
- C. Rom. 1:18-20 – “perceived through the things that are made”

## IV. The Bible is the Word of God:

- A. Law and the Prophets: Validated
  - 1. Dead Sea Scrolls – mostly discovered during the last century, contain the earliest known copies of parts of almost every book of the Hebrew Bible...dated: 1900 yrs. ago
  - 2. Septuagint – Greek translation of OT.
  - 3. New Testament – 3000 MS
- B. Justin Martyr: (130 AD) “a crucial witness to the status of the 2nd-century New Testament corpus, mentioning the first three Gospels and quoting and paraphrasing the letters of Paul and 1 Peter; he was the first known writer to quote from the Acts of the Apostles” (Ency. Britannica).
- C. Prior to the scriptures:
  - 1. Rom. 2:14 – Innate laws
  - 2. Heb. 1:1-2 – spoke through prophets
  - 3. 2 Pet. 1:21 – “men spake from God, being moved by the Holy Spirit”

## V. What the Scriptures Tell Us:

- A. Gen. 1:1 – Created the heavens and the earth
- B. Isa. 43:1, 7 – “for (God’s) my glory”
- C. Gen. 2:16-17 – God has the right to command
- D. Deut. 4:1-3, 6-8 – Israel’s laws.
- E. The Bad News: Rom. 2:14-15; 5:12; 1:28-32
- F. The Good News: Rom. 6:23; Titus 2:11-14; Rom. 1:16

## VI. The Obtaining of This Salvation Requires Action:

- A. Lk. 19:10 – Seek and save the lost.
- B. Jn. 3:16-17, 36 – Requires obedience
- C. Rom. 6:16-18 – “servants ye are whom ye obey”
- D. Acts 17:30-31 – accountability set
- E. Col. 1:13 – translated into the kingdom

## VII. What is Required to Access the Kingdom?

- A. Matt. 28:19 – Jesus sent his apostles out to make disciples of all the nations.
- B. Jn. 17:20 – The nations would have the come to believe on Jesus through the words of the apostles.
- C. Acts 2:37-38, 41 – We have a divine commentary on how this came to be:
  - 1. Jn. 17:20 - Hear the message.
  - 2. Mk. 16:15-16 - Believe the message
  - 3. Acts 17:30 - Repent
  - 4. Acts 22:16 - Be baptized and wash away one’s sins.
  - 5. Rom. 6:1-6 – Result...?