

Probing the Proverbs- The Family Continued
Husbands/Fathers and Children Lesson Handout

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1. Although King Lemuel's mother's name is not mentioned, she _____ his life and, no doubt, was the _____ he wrote the _____ (the Wife of Noble Character), known as the Proverbs _____ woman. I believe he was describing his own mother.
2. Your _____ will be like a fruitful _____ within your house; your _____ will be like _____ around your table." (Psalm 128:3)
3. The olive shoots are vigorous new _____ that emerge from the base or roots of an olive tree. These sprouts are highly _____ for propagating new _____; they also serve as powerful _____ of renewal and thriving _____ in various cultural and _____ texts." (Word Press)
4. A man's source of _____ and _____ should be his own wife.
5. Neither men nor women should seek a _____ relationship outside the _____ of their own _____.
6. Proverbs Chapters ____ and ____ warn men against _____ and the _____.
7. Proverb 6:32-34 "But a man who commits adultery lacks _____; whoever does so _____ himself. Blows and disgrace are his lot, and his shame will _____ be wiped away; for jealousy arouses a husband's fury, and he will show no mercy when he takes revenge."
8. When I think of the person who should be most _____ for _____ for the family, I _____ feel it should be the man/husband.
9. There are many _____ - _____ homes where the _____ (and maybe in rare cases, the _____) is _____ children on her own, due to divorce, death, or an _____ husband/father.
10. Some fathers may be so busy with _____ or their own _____, hobbies or _____, they may "_____ or _____" their families. They simply have no time for them.
11. Unfortunately, there are many children who may not even know who their _____ father is or who have no _____ with him at all.
12. Proverb 14:26 "He who _____ the Lord has a secure _____, and for his _____, it will be a _____."
13. I Corinthians 7 provides answers for _____ people may have regarding... _____, _____, an _____ spouse, and _____ when a spouse _____.
14. Verse 39-40 "A woman is _____ to her husband as long as he lives. But if her husband dies, she is _____ to _____ anyone she wishes, _____ he must _____ to the Lord. In my judgment, she is happier if she stays as she is---and I think that I too have the Spirit of God."

Children

15. "Sons are a _____ (or a gift) from the Lord, children a _____ from him. Like _____ in the hands of a _____ are sons born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose _____ is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their enemies in the gate." NIV

What do children need from parents? (ACROSTIC)

16. C= _____ and _____ : Colossians 3:12-14,21; I Thessalonians 2:7

17. H= _____ and _____ : Proverbs 24:26; 25:1

18. I= _____ and _____ : Deuteronomy 6:6-9

19. L= _____, _____ and _____ : I Corinthians 13:4-8; Colossians 3:12-14, 21; Proverb 23:24-25; Proverb 15:13,18, 20; Proverb 17:22;

20. D= _____ and _____ : Proverb 13:24; 19:18; 23:13-14; 22:15; 15:5; 29:17

21. R= _____ and _____

In what ways can parents respect their children?

Ideas from the internet...

Intentionally _____

Extending them _____

Acknowledging their _____

Allowing them to make age-appropriate _____

Explaining the reasoning behind family rules and _____

Apologizing when wrong and asking the child for _____

What are some of the things parents must remind their children to do? List things under each category....

Morning routines:

Bathroom Habits:

Health:

Chores and Organization:

Social and Emotional:

22. E= _____, _____ and _____ : Colossians 2:11

Empathy: understanding, sharing and experiencing emotions, thoughts, and perspectives of another person, genuine desire to act and alleviate someone's distress. Teach children to write get-well cards, make telephone calls, etc.

Experiences- Let children try things on their own...pick out clothes to wear, teach them how to bake a cake, play a sport, play a musical instrument

23. **N=** _____ and _____ Proverb 9:9; 8:32; Ephesians 6:4; Proverb 19:27

Nurturing: Proverb 22:6 "Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Nourishment:

*Feed

*Build a foundation

* Involve

*Model healthy eating

*Encourage

*Avoid

24. The _____ need to be taken as _____ and not _____.