



Ephesians – The Gospel Unites

The Gospel Shaped Home

Ephesians 6:1-4

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1. We Learn from Our Father (1:2-5; 5:1-2)
2. The Obedience of Children (6:1-3)
3. The Leadership of Fathers (6:4)
4. The Gospel-Shaped Home

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. In your life stage, how can you honor your parents well (if they are still alive today)?
2. When you think back to your childhood, what might be the one thing you wish you would have had from your parents? Why? How do you think God is a better Father than our earthly parents?
3. What did you see about the heart of the Father toward you from this sermon? How does this truth help cultivate a heart for God in you?
4. Some parents are so rule-based that they teach their children legalism. Some parents are so "grace-based" that they teach their children lawlessness. How does a right understanding of the gospel help us to love God and to obey his commands? See Eph 2:8-10 for some insight.
5. If you have adult and wayward children, how does Job 1:4-5 encourage you?
6. If you have children in your home, how can you model the heart of the Father through your own worship of God to your children?
7. Spend some time praying for God's empowering in your parenting (whether you have toddlers or middle-aged kids). Ask the Lord to grant you wisdom to love them well. If you do not have children, pray for those you are discipling or looking to disciple.