## "Family Matters, Part 1"

Sunday, October 29, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI Pastor Jonathan DeCou Proverbs 5:15-23; 23:15-25

BIG IDEA: Let's make sure we're doing family God's way.

"A man who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the LORD." Proverbs 18:22 (CSB)

"A wise son brings joy to his father, but a foolish son, heartache to his mother." Proverbs 10:1 (CSB)

## Godly wisdom for <u>husbands</u> and <u>wives</u>.

- On <u>marriage</u> in general.
- o On being a godly wise <u>husband</u>.
- On being a godly wise wife.

## Godly wisdom for <u>dads</u> and <u>moms</u>.

- On being a godly wise <u>dad</u>.
- On being a godly wise mom.

## So what am I going to do about it?

- Marriage is more about <u>HOLINESS</u> than <u>HAPPINESS</u>.
- Men, learn to love your wife.

- Women, learn to <u>respect</u> your <u>husband</u>.
- o Parents, keep the end goal in view with your children.

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**READ**: Proverbs 5:15-23 & 23:15-25

**THINK**: Consider the blessings and challenges of family life, and then ask yourself these questions: What advice have your parents and grandparents given you about marriage? What has fed your knowledge about and appetite for your sexuality the most? TV sitcoms, movies, romance novels, locker room conversations? How will Proverbs 5:21 inform your family life going forward? What makes a parent happy (see Proverbs 23:15, 16, 23-24)?

**DO**: Is it time for a recommitment of your marriage vows before God, family, and the Church? What parenting strategies do you need to continue doing? What parenting strategies do you need to stop doing? What parenting strategies do you need to learn in order to do family God's way?