## "Family Matters, Part 2"

Sunday, November 5, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI Pastor Jonathan DeCou *Proverbs 23:13-25; 4:1-9* 

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

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

"When I was a son with my father... he taught me..." Proverbs 4:3, 4 (CSB)

Godly wise <u>children</u> <u>honor</u> their <u>parents</u>.

- Godly wise <u>children</u> <u>obey</u> their <u>parents</u>.
- Godly wise grandparents pass along a righteous legacy.
- So what am I going to do about it?
  - FAMILIES: Maintain an <u>attitude</u> of <u>service</u> toward <u>one</u> <u>another</u>.
  - HUSBANDS & WIVES: Stoke the fires of marital intimacy.
  - o <u>PARENTS</u>: Be <u>intentional</u> about your <u>parenting</u>.

- <u>MEN</u>: God intends for <u>you</u> to be the <u>loving leader</u> in your <u>home</u>.
- <u>CHILDREN</u>: Learn to <u>submit</u> and <u>follow</u> the <u>godly</u> and <u>wise</u> <u>authority</u> of your <u>parents</u>.

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**THINK**: Further consider the blessings and challenges of family life, and then ask yourself these questions: What does it mean to HONOR our parents? At what age do we stop honoring our parents? Why should children learn to OBEY their parents and what benefit is there in it for them and others? What is the role of GRANDPARENTS within the family? How do grandparents keep from meddling in the lives of their adult children while still being a source of righteousness, blessing, and joy within the family?

**DO**: Whether you are a husband or a wife, a dad or a mom, a child, or grandparent, how can you help pursue God's ideal for your family this week?