

FOCUSING ON THE FAMILY
Part Twenty-One: Raising Your Children

I. BEGINS WITH THE RIGHT UNDERSTANDING

II. RELIES ON THE RIGHT TEAMWORK

III. ADDRESSES THE RIGHT ISSUES

A. Spiritual Issues

- Fearing the Lord
- _____ the Lord

B. Sin Issues

- The “Big 3”:
 1. _____
 - Prov. 16:25: _____
 2. **Disrespect**
 - Prov. 30:17: _____
 - Prov. 13:1: _____
 3. _____
 - Prov. 12:22: _____
- Prov. 22:15: _____
- Prov. 4:23: _____
- Dealing rightly with the “Big 3”:
 4. **Respond with _____, not _____.**
 - Be _____.
 - Prov. 20:5: _____
 - Be prayerful.
 - Prov. 15:28-29: _____
 - Be _____.
 - Prov. 13:24: _____
 - Be _____.
 - Prov. 29:17: _____
 5. **Respond with _____, not _____.**
 - Prov. 1:2-4: _____
 - By fairly assessing your child’s actions and _____ to sin.
 - By carefully _____ and assessing both sides of the story before you react.
 - Prov. 15:2: _____
 - Prov. 29:20: _____
 - Prov. 18:13: _____

- By respecting and supporting the other _____ in your child’s life.
 - How to _____ issues with equity:
 - Proverbs 25:8-12:
 - Don’t confront in _____ or anger (vs. 8).
 - Work out issues _____ (vs. 9).
 - Protect children from the negative effects of _____ disagreements (vs. 10).
 - Confront in a “_____” fashion (vs. 11).
 - Be just as willing to hear wisdom as you are to _____ it (vs. 12).

CONCLUSION: BIBLICAL CASE STUDY

- **The right approach:**
 - Elisha with _____ (2 Kings 5:20-27)
 - Gehazi practiced a selfish _____ (vs. 20-25).
 - Elisha asked Gehazi a confrontational _____ (vs. 25).
 - Elisha exposed Gehazi’s _____ motivations (vs. 26).
 - Elisha administered a significant and sobering _____ (vs. 27).
 - Elisha’s actions resulted in an eventual _____ (2 Kings 8:4-5).