

NOW WORD Covenant Church
MISSION MINDED
Family Mission (Part 2)
“*Generational Blessings*”
Sunday, August 18, 2019

Introduction:

Our series discusses being “Mission Minded.” We will cover our personal missions of family, marriage, money and being part of the church mission. This week, we will discuss Part Two of Family Mission – “*Generational Blessings*”.

Mission for Life Statement: I Corinthians 10:31. So whether you eat or drink, or **whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.** (NLT)

Review: Family Mission Statement – Joshua 24:15

“But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord.”

- Raising Godly Children – Malachi 2:15
- Godly Parenting - Ephesians 6:1-4, Judges 2:10
- Godly Training for Children - H.I.M.

Honor Parental Authority:

- Command - with a Promise
- Obey – to submit to instructions
- Honor - to value upon

Interpersonal Relationship:

- Train (nurture) (give-mine-ours)
- Admonish (discipline)
- Mission (carry on the spiritual legacy)

Rules: “I messed up – my parents are going to kill me.”

Relationship: “I messed up – I need to talk to my parents.”

Mature Character:

- Self-awareness: You know yourself
- Self-Discipline: You motivate yourself
- Self-Control: You manage yourself

First Voice: “The way you talk to your child becomes the inner voice they hear for the rest of their lives.”

Generational Blessings

2 Timothy 1:5. I remember your **genuine** faith, for you **share the faith** that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that **same faith continues strong in you.** (NLT)

Definition: *Generational Blessings* is the continued covering of God's covenant over your family from generation to generation. Reference: Genesis 12:1-3

Spiritual Law: Blessings and Curses

Exodus 20:5. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the **sin** of the parents to the **third** and **fourth** generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but **showing love** to a **thousand** generations of those who **love me** and **keep my commandments**. (NIV) References: Deuteronomy 30:15-16, Numbers 14:24, Psalms 112:1-3

Spiritual Blessings in Christ

Galatians 3:13. Christ **redeemed us** from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole."
14. He redeemed us in order that the **blessing** given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit. (NIV) Reference: Ephesians 1:3

Reverse the Family Curse (Sin): How are the spiritual blessings of Christ passed on to us and to the next generation?

Ezekiel 18:20. The one who **sins** is the one who will die. The child will **not** share the guilt of the parent, nor will the parent share the guilt of the child. The righteousness of the righteous will be credited to them, and the wickedness of the wicked will be charged against them. (NIV)

1. Planting the seed of _____ (Born Again)

1 Peter 1:23a. having been born again, not of corruptible **seed** but incorruptible, through the **word** of God which lives and abides forever, (NKJV)

2. Keeping His _____ (God's Agreement)

Psalms 103:17-18. But the love of the Lord remains forever with those who **fear** him. His **salvation extends** to the children's children of those who are **faithful** to his **covenant**, of those who **obey** his commandments. (NLT)

3. Instructing your _____ (H.I.M.)

Ephesians 6:4. And you, **fathers, do not provoke** your children to wrath, but bring them up in the **training** and **admonition** of the Lord. (NKJV)

Next Week: "*Marriage Mission*" - How many of you said, "**I do**" and after your marriage ceremony you found out, "**I can't.**" **I do** makes you accountable, but it does not make you capable, therefore, your marriage makes you miserable."