Privilege and Responsibility (Part 2 of 2)

A Word to Parents

Deuteronomy 17:18-19

"¹⁸ Now it shall come about when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself a copy of this law on a scroll in the presence of the Levitical priests. ¹⁹ It shall be with him and he shall read it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the Lord his God, by carefully observing all the words of this law and these statutes."

I Timothy 3:2-7

"² An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³ not addicted to wine or pugnacious, but gentle, peaceable, free from the love of money.⁴ He must be one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity

⁵ (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?), ⁶ and not a new convert, so that he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil.⁷ And he must have a good reputation with those outside the church, so that he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil."

Titus 1:6-9

"⁶ Namely, if any man is above reproach, the husband of one wife, having children who believe, not accused of dissipation or rebellion.⁷ For the overseer must be above reproach as God's steward, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not addicted to wine, not pugnacious, not fond of sordid gain, ⁸ but hospitable, loving what is good, sensible, just, devout, self-controlled, ⁹ holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict."

II Timothy 2:19-21

"¹⁹ Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, 'The Lord knows those who are His,' and, 'Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness.' ²⁰ Now in a large house there are not only gold and silver vessels, but also vessels of wood and of earthenware, and some to honor and some to dishonor.²¹ Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these things, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work."

Psalm 101:1

"¹ I will sing of lovingkindness and justice, To You, O Lord, I will sing praises."

Psalm 101:2

"² I will give heed to the blameless way. When will You come to me? I will walk within my house in the integrity of my heart."

Genesis 17:1

"¹ Now when Abram was ninetynine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; <u>Walk before Me,</u> and be blameless."

Psalm 101:3-5

"³ I will set no worthless thing before my eyes; I hate the work of those who fall away; It shall not fasten its grip on me. ⁴ A perverse heart shall depart from me; I will know no evil. ⁵ Whoever secretly slanders his neighbor, him I will destroy; No one who has a haughty look and an arrogant heart will I endure."

II Corinthians 6:15

"¹⁵ Or what harmony has Christ with Belial, or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever?"

Matthew 7:22-23

"²² Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' ²³ And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.""

"In 1994, a survey showed 91% of men raised in Christian homes were exposed to pornography while growing up, compared to 98% of those not raised in a Christian home." (Archibald D. Hart. "The Hart Report," *The Sexual Man*, Word Publishing, Dallas, p. 95). "In March 2005 *Christianity Today* published the results of a study called "Christians and Sex" in their *Leadership Journal*. Out of 680 pastors surveyed, 57% said addiction to pornography is the most sexually damaging issue to their congregation. "In August 2006, an internet survey reported 50% of all Christian men and 20% of all Christian women described themselves as "addicted to pornography." (ChristiaNet, Inc. "ChristiaNet Poll Finds that Evangelicals are Addicted to Porn." *Marketwire*, Aug 7, 2006)

"On the day I was married, I began praying, 'Lord, help me to define beauty by Lisa's body. Shape my desires so that I am attracted only to her.' I knew from the book of Proverbs that I was to take delight in my wife, not in women in general. The writer says, 'May you rejoice in the wife of your youth.""

"I will not set…"
"I will hate…"
"Not cling."
"Shall be far (depart)"
"I will have nothing to do"

Deuteronomy 11:18,22

"¹⁸ You shall therefore impress these words of mine on your heart and on your soul; and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontals on your forehead."

"²² For if you are careful to keep all this commandment which I am commanding you to do, <u>to love the Lord your God, to walk in</u> <u>all His ways and hold fast to Him</u>."

Deuteronomy 30:20

"²⁰ By loving the Lord your God, <u>by</u> <u>obeying His voice, and by holding fast</u> <u>to Him;</u> for this is your life and the length of your days, that you may live in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

Psalm 101:6

"⁶ My eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me; He who walks in a blameless way is the one who will minister to me."

Psalm 101:7

"⁷ He who practices deceit shall not dwell within my house; He who speaks falsehood shall not maintain his position before me."

TV monitored or completely removed.

Internet – definitely monitored.

Restrictions concerning all technology.

- -- do they need a cell phone
- -- IPad
- -- IPhone

The parent knows what is going on.

School

Psalm 101:8

"⁸ Every morning I will destroy all the wicked of the land, So as to cut off from the city of the Lord all those who do iniquity." I will give heed to the blameless way. <u>I will walk within my home in integrity.</u> I will set no worthless thing before my eyes. I hate the work of those who fall away. I will know no evil. I will not endure the arrogant. I will silence the wicked.

Isaiah 14:12-15

"¹² How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations! ¹³ But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north.¹⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; <u>I will</u> make myself like the Most High.' ¹⁵ Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, to the recesses of the pit."

Parents and grandparents are gate keepers among the covenant people of God. The next generation is our treasure so salt it away with lock and key.