

Family Secrets: *Passing On Your Values*

Week 4 of 4

SERIES INTRO / TODAY / (How do you pass on your values?) / PEERS PROJECT

DISCLAIMER:

... passing your values onto your children, but ... even if you don't have biological children.
Everyone who comes after you or looks up to you
is potentially your spiritual child!

PRAY // ILL: FRANKIE QUINTILIANI'S MOM (IF I EVER CATCH YOU SMOKING...)

MAKE A LIST:

What are the things you want to be true of your children?

SHARE MY LIST

Family Secret #4:

The l i f e you l i v e is
the l e g a c y you l e a v e.

Two fatherhood stories

KING DAVID

... [God] testified concerning him: 'I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.'

Acts 13:22

wrote the Psalms (Psalm 31, 42) / planned the temple / "even more undignified"

But consider 2 Samuel 13 (p. 219):

Consider 2 Samuel 16:21f:

Consider 2 Samuel 11:

AARON

Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up and saw the God of Israel. ...

Exodus 24:9-10

AARON SAW GOD! WAS MADE HIGH PRIEST!

But consider Leviticus 10:1-3 (p. 75):

Consider Exodus 32:1-5 (p. 62):

Each of these fathers knew the right thing to SAY,
but their children followed after what they DID much more!

LIVE DON'T LEGISLATE

"You will go to church." / "I go to church."

"You will honor your mother." / "I honor my wife."

"Don't hit your sister." / "No one hurts my daughter."

"Make something of your life." / "I do my best at everything I do."

REVISIT YOUR LIST

My list --> Core Values

If I want my kids to have a relationship with God,

they must see the i n t e g r i t y of m i n e.

ILL: I KNEW MY PARENTS LOVED GOD • BUT RARELY SAW DEVOTIONS • NOW, DAILY COMMUNION

~~ Invest in your relationship with God daily, and if it's real, let it be visible. ~~

If I want my kids to have healthy relationships with others,

they must see me w o r k for the same g o a l.

ILL: didn't learn conflict resol. from parents. / FIGHT BACK OR LET IT SLIDE?

~~ Choose relationship, even when difficult. Engage it biblically and lovingly. ~~

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.

Ephesians 4:25-27

Life Group & Church -- Hebrews 10:25

If I want my kids to reach their potential,

they must see me r e a c h for m i n e.

...Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:13-14

If I want my kids to make a positive impact in their world,

they need to see me m a k e one in m i n e.

...For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

1 Corinthians 10:33-11:1

KEY: If I want my kids to learn anything at all from me,

they must deeply know my l o v e for t h e m.

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

1 Corinthians 13:1

And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Colossians 3:14

ILL: MY PARENTS FELL SHORT IN A NUMBER OF WAYS, BUT THEY WALKED WITH GOD AND LOVED US.

THE LIFE YOU LIVE IS THE LEGACY YOU LEAVE / IT STARTS WITH US / COMMUNION RENEWAL