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Milestones "Parent/Child Dedication"

Genesis 1:28 - Fill the earth (with children)

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 - Responsibility to teach children

1 Samuel 1:27-28 - Hannah dedicated Samuel to God

Luke 2:21-22 - Mary and Joseph dedicated Jesus to God

1. God's DESIGN is for kids to be raised in FAMILIES.
2. Children need to be TAUGHT about God.
3. Parents are RESPONSIBLE to teach their kids to KNOW and LOVE God.
4. God wants us to be INTENTIONAL and CREATIVE as we train our children.

Exodus 12:24-27 - Use stories and traditions

Deuteronomy 32:44-47 - Use songs and music

Joshua 4:4-7 - Use stones and memorials

5. God intends for kids to be raised in a COMMUNITY of BELIEVERS.

Milestones: A Strategy to Help Families "Get There From Here"

6. PARENT-CHILD DEDICATION is a foundational milestone for Christian families.
7. Parent-Child Dedication entails a commitment by PARENTS.
8. Parent-Child Dedication entails a commitment by THE CHURCH FAMILY.
9. Parent-Child Dedication IS NOT:
 - a substitute for BAPTISM (for those old enough to repent of sin and believe the gospel)
 - a substitute for PERSONAL CONVERSION (they have to make this choice on their own)
10. Parent-Child Dedication flows from a desire to PLEASE GOD.

The Lord's Supper provides a "teachable moment." Let's use it to tell our kids about Jesus today.

NEXT WEEK: MILESTONE #2 - CONVERSION AND BAPTISM