
NORTHSIDE BULLETIN

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Sick

Shut-ins and Elderly Members:

Sis. Darnell
Sis. Burns
Sis. Sharp
Sis. Higginbottom
Bro. And Sis. Wade

Those Battling Health Issues

Carl Hollis Jr
The Wheelers
The Youngs
Sis. Shirley Berry

Family of Members

Amy Branscum's brother
Phyllis Hale's brother and
mother
Shirley Meade's niece
Brenda Fasulo's mother
Sue Southard's mother

Other Announcements

Remember The Hollis Family in
the Death of Carl Hollis Sr.
Visitation is tomorrow night
from 5-8pm at Emerson

Teach Your Children Diligently

by Mike Webb

During Moses' final addresses to Israel, he repeatedly reminded the parents about the responsibility to teach their children (Deut.4:9; 6:6-9; Deut.11:18-21). Consider with me a few lessons we learn from Deut.6:6-9 about the teaching of our children.

YOU shall teach them

The responsibility to teach is clearly placed on the parents. Moses did not say that it was the responsibility of the priest or the Levites. They certainly could play a role in the education of Israel, but it was primarily the responsibility of the parents.

The same is true for you and me today. God said, "Fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord (Eph.6:1-3). It is MY responsibility to teach My children the word of God.

DILIGENTLY to your children

The word diligent suggests a dedicated effort. The word diligent means "constant" in effort to accomplish something; attentive and persistent in doing anything" (dictionary.com). Teaching our children takes constant effort and persistence. It is not a job that we can do halfheartedly. We have such a short time to teach our children that we must work hard to guide them in the right direction (Prov.22:6).

TALK of them when you sit, walk, lie down, and rise up

The word of God is part of the everyday discussions of those who love and fear God. We talk about God in every decision that we make. Our minds are clearly on things that are

above (Col.3:1-2). We explain to our children from the word of God why we are making those decisions or why they shouldn't do certain things.

When our children lie, we don't just discipline them but we explain that God hates lying (Col.3:9). We tell our children from the Bible why they can't dress like the world or talk like the world (1 Tim.2:11-12; Eph.5:4). Our children not only learn what the word of God teaches but they see its application in our day to day life.

SIGNS on Your Hands and Frontlets Between Your Eyes

There were some among the Jews who took this passage literally and carried the scripture between their eyes. These are the phylacteries that Jesus talked about in Matt.23:5. This was done to be seen by men and is not what God had in mind.

The point being made by Moses is that God's word goes with us everywhere we go. We live by God's word when we go to work and when we are at home. The word of God is not something that we think about only when we come to worship, but we live by it every single day.

We can never effectively teach our children unless we are living by God's word ourselves. This is why Moses begins by telling the parents to love God with all their heart, soul, and mind (Deut.6:4-5). God teaching begins by setting a good example.

How are you doing as a parent? Are you putting forth great diligence in impressing the word of God to your children? Are you discussing the word of God in the decisions that you make and discipline you administer? Are you living the word of God before your children? If you do these things you will be blessed and your children will be a blessing to others.

This Week's Scripture Readings:

March 19 - Deut.6-9, Luke 7

March 20- Deut.10-14, Ps.5; Luke 8

March 21 - Deut.15-18, Ps.115; Luke 9

March 22 - Deut.19-22; Ps.6, Luke 10

March 23 - Deut.23-26; Luke 11

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Assembling Times:

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 am

Sunday Worship: 10:00 am and 5:00 pm

Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm



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Our Guide**