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## *Ten Principles to Having a Spiritual Family*

God has a purpose for our lives and for the homes where each one lives. Success or failure depends on whether or not we have a vision for what our homes will be like (Proverbs 29:18). Your family will not automatically reach where you hope it will be years from now. Just as any company or business enterprise must have a mission statement in order to succeed, a family must also do the same. Your mission, should you choose it, is to have a spiritual family. Prayerfully apply the following.

1. Be a committed husband and wife (Matthew 19:6). This is not commitment which avoids divorce, but a commitment which wants to be married. Someone is loyal who has the desire to remain with their spouse because it is what God wants them to do.
2. Spend time together (Proverbs 29:15; Ephesians 5:15-16). Everyone in the home will love the time you can spend with each other. Busyness and loneliness are the two greatest enemies facing every family. If we let busyness get in the way, someone will be isolated. Isolation gives Satan the time he needs to bring resentment, bitterness, and jealousy into our homes, causing division, dissension, and discord.
3. Have a godly value system and keep it (2 Timothy 1:5,7; Ephesians 6:4). What are your beliefs? In what does your faith lie? Does everyone understand where God is in your home? Does your family realize the impact it has on other families in the world? If there is inconsistency in values, there will be a tendency toward hypocrisy in your home.

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