

# THE GOOD NEWS STARTS AT HOME

FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP IN THE SECOND HALF



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“ Now then, just as the Lord promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the wilderness. So here I am today, eighty-five years old! <sup>11</sup> I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I'm just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. <sup>12</sup> Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the Lord helping me, I will drive them out just as he said.’

<sup>13</sup> Then Joshua blessed Caleb son of Jephunneh and gave him Hebron as his inheritance.”

JOSHUA 14:10-13 (NIV)

## THE OPPORTUNITY: THE AGING OF AMERICA

The \_\_\_\_\_ of the mid-1900s has become  
the \_\_\_\_\_ of today.

### CULTURAL VS. BIBLICAL VIEW OF GRANDPARENTING

**Cultural:** Love them, SPOIL them and send them home.

**Biblical:** Be \_\_\_\_\_ about the unique role to pass on Jesus to future generations.

“ Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.”

PSALM 71:18 (NIV)

### PARENTING ADULT CHILDREN 101:

Your Role \_\_\_\_\_ .

“ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.”

GENESIS 2:24 (NIV)

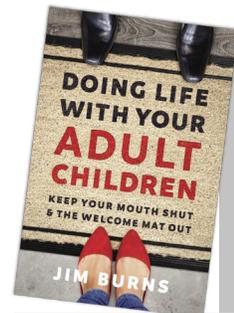
## PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR GODLY GRANDPARENTS

1. Be your Grandchildren's \_\_\_\_\_ .

- Show Up
- Speak Life
- Celebrate Who They Are

“ Words kill, words give life; they're either poison or fruit—you choose.”

PROVERBS 18:21 (MSG)



SERMON  
RESOURCES

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2. Prioritize \_\_\_\_\_ over \_\_\_\_\_.

“ I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

- MAYA ANGELOU

3. Look to \_\_\_\_\_ whenever possible.

“ If you want to have the title of being a “great” grandparent, you have to be unselfishly deliberate when it comes to how we view and interact with our own grown children. We not only want to be good parents to them, but also allies and assets to be good parents to our grandchildren.”

- TIM KIMMEL, *Extreme Grandparenting*

4. Focus on leaving a \_\_\_\_\_.

“ Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.”

DEUTERONOMY 4:9 (NIV)

## WHEN YOUR ADULT CHILDREN VIOLATE YOUR VALUES

## The Parable of the Prodigal Son



Reference found in LUKE 15:11-24

### LESSONS FROM THE PRODIGAL’S FATHER

- Recognize the Father did \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Father loved his son without \_\_\_\_\_.
- Focused more on the \_\_\_\_\_ than the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ran to the son to \_\_\_\_\_.

## SO WHAT?

Pray and Never Give Up - Caleb waited \_\_\_\_\_ for the Promised Land.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

COMMUNITY GROUP VIDEOS available on the APP |

- 1- In Joshua 14:10-13, what stands out to you most about Caleb’s attitude at 85 years old?
- 2- Where might God be calling you to have a “Caleb spirit” in this season of life?
- 3- How would you say your role shifts when parenting adult children? What does Genesis 2:24 say about this question? What is hardest about that shift?
- 4- What is one practical way you can prioritize relationships over possessions with your children or grandchildren this year?
- 5- From Luke 15:11-24, what do you learn from the father’s response to the prodigal son?
- 6- Who in your life needs your persistent prayer right now—and how can this group support you in that?

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