

The Call to Fatherhood

What a special day!

A day specifically set apart to honor fathers.

We honor our fathers in obedience to God.

Ephesians 6:1-3

I want to speak directly to the men here today.

Even if you're not a dad, don't check out, because we all need to hear this.

Men, we are at war today.

It's a war to save our children, and our children's children.

In America today we are losing the war battle by battle.

Children are turning from faith in God in record numbers.

This isn't a new problem!

Romans 1:28-32 closely parallels America today.

We live in a culture that approves of turning its back on God.

Men, we are at war and we are on the front line!!

Our children and our children's children need us to stand up and fight for them!

Where do we begin? What can we do? How can we win?

HOW CAN WE STAND UP AND FIGHT?

I. WITH OUR WORDS.

Deuteronomy 6:4-6

You need to talk to your children. Be involved in their lives.

Tell them about God, the Bible, what God has done for you.

Consider how much time the culture we live in has to influence your children.

Don't let the schools be the only thing that instructs you're the children.

Don't even let this church be the only thing that instructs your children.

Proverbs 22:6; Proverbs 1:8, 9

II. WITH OUR TIME.

Men, do you want to know what is important in your life today?

Where you devote your time is what you are devoted to!

Deuteronomy 6:7-9

Time reveals the priorities in your life.

If you want to win the war with for your children, you've got to invest time.

III. WITH OUR LIVES.

Genesis 18:18-19

What kind of example are you setting for your children?

Your words may say some things about you, but your life declares who you really are.

Are you fighting the war with your life?

Maybe you need to start today, by apologizing to your kids, and starting anew.

Let's pray.