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Fathers

Atmosphere – Awareness - Anticipation

Mothers

Investment – Involvement - Interaction

Look Around!

You

ATMOSPHERE OF PREPAREDNESS

Atmosphere – Awareness – Anticipation

- A surrounding influence or environment (Webster Dictionary)
- Do we pray and believe for something beyond the ordinary ???

Questions, Questions and More Questions???

Do Not Worry Parents – Your Children Were Born For Such A Time As This

BUT?????

Raise them up, train them, teach them, empower them

God's Plan

- Genesis 18:17-19 "Should I hide my plan from Abraham?" the Lord asked. 18 "For Abraham will certainly become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth will be blessed through him. 19 **I have singled him out so that he will direct his sons and their families to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just. Then I will do for Abraham all that I have promised.**" NLT

- **Deuteronomy 6:1-13** "These are the commands, decrees, and regulations that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you. You must obey them in the land you are about to enter and occupy, 2 and you and your children and grandchildren must fear the Lord your God as long as you live. If you obey all his decrees and commands, you will enjoy a long life. 3 Listen closely, Israel, and be careful to obey. Then all will go well with you, and you will have many children in the land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you. 4 "Listen, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. 5 And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength. 6 And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. 7 Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up. 8 Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders. 9 Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. 10 "The Lord your God will soon bring you into the land he swore to give you when he made a vow to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. It is a land with large, prosperous cities that you did not build. 11 The houses will be richly stocked with goods you did not produce. You will draw water from cisterns you did not dig, and you will eat from vineyards and olive trees you did not plant. When you have eaten your fill in this land, 12 be careful not to forget the Lord, who rescued you from slavery in the land of Egypt. 13 You must fear the Lord your God and serve him. When you take an oath, you must use only his name.

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6 Main Responsibilities

1. Learn. The first task we're called to is to learn God's Word for ourselves.

- The word “teach” has the idea of “training in order to be able to do something.”
- “You can't impart what you don't carry”
- Can we grow in our relationship with God without having a regular relationship with the Word of God?
- Staggering statistics:
 - *By Relevant – May 11, 2017* A new joint [study by Barna](#) and Summit - 17 percent of Christians have what the researchers consider a biblical worldview.
 - “believing that absolute moral truth exists;
 - the Bible is totally accurate in all of the principles it teaches;
 - Satan is considered to be a real being or force, not merely symbolic;
 - a person cannot earn their way into Heaven by trying to be good or do good works;
 - Jesus Christ lived a sinless life on earth;
 - and God is the all-knowing, all-powerful creator of the world who still rules the universe today.”

- **Only 4 Percent of Christian Parents Have a Biblical Worldview, Poll Finds: Children are “Spiritually Disadvantaged”** [Michael Foust](#) | *ChristianHeadlines.com Contributor* – 3/10/22
 - More than 9 out of 10 parents have a "syncretistic" or blended worldview, meaning their beliefs are a mix of multiple worldviews where "no single life philosophy is dominant," the study found.
 - George Barna, the director of research at the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University, said that a person's worldview primarily develops before the age of 13, then goes through a period of refinement during their teens and twenties.
- **Study finds 37% of pastors have biblical worldview: Spiritual awakening 'needed in our pulpits'** By [Anugrah Kumar](#), *Christian Post Contributor* May 16, 2022
- How many of you were taught something by your parents as a part of a Christian Worldview, that you have moved away from?
- Why?

2. Live It.

- vs. 3 Listen closely, Israel, and be careful to obey. Then all will go well with you, and you will have many children in the land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you.
- Live it starts with listening!
 - Deuteronomy 5:1 Moses called all the people of Israel together and said, "**Listen carefully**, Israel. Hear the decrees and regulations I am giving you today, so you may learn them and obey them! NLT
 - Deuteronomy 6:4-7 "**Listen, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.** 5 And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength. 6 And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. NLT
 - Deuteronomy 9:1-2 "**Listen, O Israel!** Today you are about to cross the Jordan River to take over the land belonging to nations much greater and more powerful than you. They live in cities with walls that reach to the sky!
 - Deuteronomy 20:3-4 He will say to them, '**Listen to me, all you men of Israel! Do not be afraid as you go out to fight your enemies today!** Do not lose heart or panic or tremble before them. 4 For the Lord your God is going with you! He will fight for you against your enemies, and he will give you victory!' NLT

3. Love.

- vs. 4 "Listen, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.
 - Listen, it is all about our God and our God alone!!!!
- **vs. 5** And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength.
 - We are commanded to love God with everything we've got!
 - A.W. Tozer once said we're called to "an everlasting preoccupation with God."
 - **"Our primary call isn't to be good parents. Our primary call is to model a vibrant and vital love relationship with the living God."**
- **vs. 6** And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today
 - God's Word is not to just be in our heads, but also in our hearts.

