

## **Offensive Parenting**

(4) A God-Centered Family

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*OFFENSIVE PARENTING is really about...*

**PREPARING rather than PROTECTING!**

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*The QUESTIONS You Really Need To Be Asking...*

**ARE YOU RAISING A CHILD... (Or...)  
ARE YOU PREPARING A FUTURE ADULT?**

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**WHAT ARE YOU DOING RIGHT NOW THAT IS  
ANTICIPATING WHAT THEY "NEED TO KNOW"  
BEFORE... THAT "NEED" EVER COMES?**

*In other words...*

**What are you doing NOW... to PREPARE THEM for THEN?**

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**THREE PRIMARY ROLES IN OFFENSIVE PARENTING...**

### **1. GROUNDSKEEPER**

*This is where we DEFINE the RULES/BOUNDARIES!*

### **2. REFEREE**

*This is where we ENFORCE the RULES/BOUNDARIES!*

### **3. COACH**

*This is where we CONTINUALLY TEACH the RULES/BOUNDARIES!*

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*One of the GREATEST LESSONS you could teach your CHILD today is...*

## **POSITIONAL LEADERSHIP**

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**WHAT IF...** One of the most IMPORTANT LESSONS that we ever teach our Children is... **TO "HONOR" THOSE IN AUTHORITY!?**

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**PROVERBS 1:7...**

The **FEAR OF THE LORD** is the **BEGINNING** of **KNOWLEDGE** –  
but **fools despise wisdom and instruction.**

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If **FEARING THE LORD** is a **BEGINNING** Conversation...  
Then **FEARING MY PARENTS** is the **BEGINNING** of **PARENTING!**

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**FIVE** Sure Fire Ways To **GUARANTEE** Your Kids Will One Day **HATE CHURCH...**

1. **Make sure your FAITH is only something you live in PUBLIC... NOT in PRIVATE!**
  2. **Pray Only... IN FRONT of PEOPLE!**
  3. **Focus on YOUR MORALS!**
  4. **GIVE FINANCIALLY... as long as it doesn't impede YOUR NEEDS!**
  5. **Make Church a PRIORITY... as long as there is nothing else YOU WANT TO DO!**
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**WHERE'D THE MARRIAGE GO?**

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**WHAT IF ONE OF THE GREATEST "OFFENSIVE STYLE" OF PARENTING GIFTS... YOU COULD EVER GIVE YOUR CHILD... IS A HEALTHY "GOD-CENTERED" MARRIAGE?**

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Our Children are growing up today with a **LOT** of **"EXPERIENCES"**  
**IN LIFE... but LITTLE or NO "EXPERIENCE" AT LIFE!**

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**WHAT WOULD THE PERFECT PICTURE OF "GOD'S FAMILY" LOOK LIKE?**

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**GOD'S "PRIORITIES" ORDER...**

**1. GOD**

**Ephesians 5:1-2... Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.**

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## **2. MARRIAGE**

**Ephesians 5:33... However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.**

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## **3. CHILDREN**

**Ephesians 6:1... Children obey your parents in the Lord for this is right.**

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What do you think **YOUR FAMILY** would **LOOK LIKE...** if we **LET GO** of our **IDEA OF PRIORITIES (Parenting)** and we **REPRIORITIZED** it according to **“GOD’S OFFENSIVELY FAMILY” IDEA of Parenting!**?

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Would you **CONSIDER** being willing to **RE-PRIORITIZE** the **TABLE...**?

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**PARENTS...**

**YOUR “COMPROMISES” Today... will eventually become YOUR CHILDREN’S “NORMAL” Tomorrow!**

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