

"The Home Game" Home Front Series Pastor Mark 6.20.21

"Wives, <u>submit to your husbands</u>, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, <u>love your wives</u> and do not be harsh with them. Children, <u>obey your parents</u> in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not <u>embitter</u> <u>your children</u>, or they will become discouraged." Colossians 3:18-21

Examples from Jesus on what it means to be real men in our homes:

- 1) **PROVIDE** for our families.
 - "If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his <u>immediately family</u>, he has denied the faith and is worse than an <u>unbeliever</u>." 1 Timothy 5:8

2) Have **QUALITY TIME** with our kids.

- "Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of <u>the Lord</u>, and on his law he meditates <u>day and night</u>. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does **prospers**." Psalm 1:1-3
- "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he **prayed**." Mark 1:35

3) Show love thru **DISCIPLINE**.

- "My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline and do not resent his rebuke, because the Lord disciplines those he **loves**, as a father the son he delights in." Proverbs 3:11-12

4) Show love thru **PROTECTION**.

- "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation. He is my stronghold, my refuge and my savior—from violent people you save me. I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and have been saved from my enemies." 2 Samuel 22:2-4

5) Give the gift of **SALVATION**.

- "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the <u>training</u> and <u>instruction</u> of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4
- "A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling." Psalm 68:5