

Parenting Conference: Men's Session #1
2-15-14

Introduction:

I. Marriage Essentials for Parenting

- A. Humility
- B. Spiritual leadership
- C. Honor and respect your wife

II. Family Essentials for Parenting

- A. Fear the Lord
- B. Respect authority
- C. Choose good friends

A Covenant

*Between a father and a son
as witnessed by the Lord Jesus Christ*

We agree together to seek God's best concerning

A Future Life Partner

Father

*I will protect you
from strange women.*

*I will teach you
God's principles of life.*

*I will pray for you
and for God's choice
of your life partner.*

Father's signature

Son

*I will keep myself
pure for my wife.*

*I will obtain your
blessing on my courtship.*

*I will wait for your
full release before
entering into marriage.*

Son's signature

Pastor's signature

Date

A Covenant

*Between a father and a daughter
as witnessed by the Lord Jesus Christ*

We agree together to seek God's best concerning

A Future Life Partner

Father

*I will protect you
from unqualified men.*

*I will teach you
God's principles of life.*

*I will pray for you
and for God's choice
of your life partner.*

Father's signature

Daughter

*I will keep myself
pure for my husband.*

*I will obtain your
blessing on my courtship.*

*I will wait for your
full release before
entering into marriage.*

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III. Lifestyle Essentials for Parenting

How can we help our children embrace our lifestyle choices?

1. Decide what is acceptable to God based on Bible study, prayer, and honest communication between you and your wife.
2. Consistently follow the guidelines you have set for that lifestyle without compromise for man or culture.
3. Communicate to your children the reasons for each guideline you have.
4. Use daily experiences to make practical application of your guidelines through nurturing communication.

Lifestyle Examples (not intended to be an exhaustive list)

- A. Modesty (dress, make-up, hairstyles, mixed swimming, pants/dresses)
- B. Music
- C. Media/technology
- D. The Lord's Day
- E. Marriage preparedness