

# Cultivating the Plants around Your Table

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August 2021 Men's Sunday School

Primed to Prosper in Every Season



# Psalm 128

- Metaphorically represents children as olive plants around the table

# Review

- Three attitudes
  - Gratitude
  - Humility
  - Brotherly Love

Examples:

Many will be  
personal

# 1 Timothy 4:12

- Be an Example
  - Word
  - Conduct
  - Love
  - Faith
  - Purity
- “Age is NOT the issue; your character and testimony are”

A close-up photograph of an olive branch with several green olives and dark, silvery-green leaves. The background is blurred, showing more of the same foliage. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the olives and leaves.

# Psalm 128

Blessings on the man who Fears the Lord

# Deuteronomy 6

- The premier OT passage
- What one word encapsulates this?



# Ephesians 6:4

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

- This is the NT premier verse for our daily privilege



# Practicality

- Intentional
- Spend time with your family





# Weekly rhythm of worship

- Personal worship
- Family worship
- Corporate worship



A wooden boardwalk made of light-colored planks winds through a vast, grassy dune landscape. The dunes are covered in low-lying green and brown vegetation. In the background, there are rolling hills and a line of trees under a heavy, grey, overcast sky. The overall mood is somber and contemplative.

# When you walk in the way

How do you teach the fear of the Lord in  
daily activities?

Spartan race?  
Really?

Teaching Biblical  
principles in  
preparation and in  
enjoying the fruit of  
your labor

# Sports?

What biblical  
principles can be  
taught by being part  
of a sports team?

Clemson Football?

Any biblical  
principles taught  
by cheering on a  
team together?



# Intentional & Takes Time

- Can you spend time with your family and not teach the fear of the Lord?

# What about you and your kids?

- Each child is different
- Your responsibility to your children is the same
- Teach the Fear of the Lord



Single?  
No children?

- Cultivate the Fear of the Lord
- Remember Joshua?

# Empty nester?

- Your responsibility is even greater!
- Continue to teach the Fear of the Lord to your children and grandchildren

# Remember

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# O Give Us Homes

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O give us homes built firm upon the Saviour,  
Where Christ is Head, and Counsellor and Guide;  
Where ev'ry child is taught His love and favor  
And gives his heart to Christ, the crucified:  
How sweet to know that tho' his footsteps waver  
His faithful Lord is walking by his side!

O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers,  
Who always place their hope and trust in Him;  
Whose tender patience turmoil never bothers,  
Whose calm and courage trouble cannot dim;  
A home where each finds joy in serving others,  
And love still shines, tho' days be dark and grim.

O give us homes where Christ is Lord and Master,  
The Bible read, the precious hymns still sung;  
Where prayer comes first in peace or in disaster,  
And praise is natural speech to every tongue;  
Where mountains move before a faith that's vaster,  
And Christ sufficient is for old and young.

O Lord, our God, our homes are Thine forever!  
We trust to Thee their problems, toil, and care;  
Their bonds of love no enemy can sever  
If Thou art always Lord and Master there:  
Be Thou the center of our least endeavor:  
Be Thou our Guest, our hearts and homes to  
share.

