

The Most Important Place on Earth

Grace in the Christian Home - Col. 3:1-21

Revival begins in the Home. - It was into the home that sin first came. It is in the home that we sin more than perhaps anywhere else, and it is to the home that revival first needs to come. Revival is desperately needed in the church, but a revived church with unrevived homes would be sheer hypocrisy. It is the hardest place, the costliest, but the most important place to begin – **The Home!**

What is missing in the Christian Home? A Christlike Spirit of

_____ & _____

How can we strengthen our homes with GRACE?

1. _____

Regularly reflect on the incredible grace that God has given to you through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Then let your gratitude compel you to extend the same measure of grace to love, forgive, and cherish your spouse, children and even church family, as God intended.

John 1:14 - _____

Romans 5:20 - _____

(Ephesians 1:7, Ephesians 2:5-9, 2 Corinthians 8:9)

2. _____

You first have to know the differences, but you have to give grace for your uniqueness. No two people in the world are alike and that's never more evident than in a marriage relationship. The more you understand those differences the better you'll be able to grow the strength of the home.

2 Corinthians 10:12- _____

(1 Peter 3:7)

3. _____

Romans 12:10 – "...In Honor _____

4. _____

Colossians 3:19 - _____

Ephesians 5:33 - _____

Establish the boundaries that are reasonable and agreed upon by both spouses, then live within them. It's not legalism, it's giving grace to the other person.

5. _____

Eph. 4:32 - _____

NO Family is perfect. NO spouse is perfect. We extend grace when we practice granting forgiveness more than we practice holding a grudge. Forgiveness doesn't give someone permission to hurt you again, and unforgiveness doesn't protect you from being hurt!

6. _____

Part of gracing one another is doing for each other with no strings attached. The goal is not a 50/50 partnership, but that each spouse extend 100% grace to one another.

Ephesians 5:21 - _____

7. _____

A marriage won't grow far beyond where trust is still being earned. Many of us bring our own hurts into a marriage. It can be difficult to place full confidence in the other person, especially after mistakes are made. For a marriage flourish, you have to risk being hurt and extend the grace of trust.

1 Cor 13:5-6 - _____

8. _____

Eph. 4:3 - _____

Consider – what area in your Family/Marriage do you need to extend more GRACE?