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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

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The God Fearing Family

Psalm 128:1-2 NLT – (1) How joyful are those who fear the LORD — all who follow his ways! (2) You will enjoy the fruit of your labor. How joyful and prosperous you will be!

What does God expect Christian parents to require of their children? Most important is obedience performed in the fear of the Lord. Because God expects this, we have no authority to change His requirement and engage in a lenient lifestyle.

We may deplore secularism, moral darkness, and all kinds of terrible situations in our modern world, but should we despair? No. In times of extreme darkness, God has His people- His children- who want to live in holiness and separation for God all their lives.

It is not good to kick against God and His Scriptures. Parents and guardians: Are you working so hard that you neglect God's word? Are you so busy enjoying and indulging that you do not require your children to obey you the first time (**Proverbs 22:6**)? If so, you are kicking against God. If this is true of you, soon you will see God as an enemy. If you neglect God and do not honor His word, your days will soon be filled with regret.

We must seriously examine our conduct and attitude. Do we want the favor of God, the presence of God, and the fame of God? If so, let us learn to revere the word of God and the God of the word. May we be delivered from self-indulgence, from gluttony, from the love of this world, and from laziness. May we become people of the book and practice true, biblical family values. May our family's goal focus on bringing glory to God and, in the process, become glorious ourselves. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 SAMUEL 3:1-21

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

One brick of trials equals one block of glory!

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