## 2. Parents must \_\_\_\_\_

#### PSALM 145:4

One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.

#### DEUTERONOMY 32:46-47

And he said unto them, Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law.

For it is not a vain thing for you; because it is your life: and through this thing ye shall prolong your days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

#### 1 PETER 4:11

If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

# B. Formative \_\_\_\_\_\_ and are not the same thing

#### **EPHESIANS 6:4**

And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

#### PSALM 19:10-11

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

| CONCLUSION: |  |  |
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#### 1 CORINTHIANS 15:57-58

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.





# TODAY'S LESSON: **INSTRUCTING THE HEART**

| INTRODUCTION: |  |
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# 7 Indicators of cultural decline:

- An increase in the rate of divorce
- Lack of commitment to the permanence of marriage.
- Redefining the meaning of family as a solution to social problems.
- Lack of respect for parental authority.
- Promotion of cohabitation over marriage.
- Lack of inhibition concerning adultery.
- Acceptance of all forms of sexuality.

# **JUOTE**

"As we watch the destruction of the family, so we simultaneously watch the collapse of society."

—Dr. Zimmerman

## ► THE IMPORTANCE OF THE \_\_\_\_\_

GENESIS 6:5\_

And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

LUKE 2:19

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

PROVERBS 4:23

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

PROVERBS 23:7

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

# ► THE IMPORTANCE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COLOSSIANS 2:8

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

# 1. WE MUST \_\_\_\_\_

## THE ENEMY

1 PETER 5:8

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

EPHESIANS 6:11-12

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

#### JAMES 4:1

From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?

| A. | Who          | in our culture? |  |
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| В. | What do they | ?               |  |

C. The world's classroom is \_\_\_\_\_

JAMES 4:4

Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

UOTE

"We cannot invite the secular culture into our homes and expect it's voice not to be compelling to us or our children."

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PROVERBS 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

| A. | The importance of | formative | instruction |
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1. God has \_\_\_\_\_

MATTHEW 22:37-39

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.