

Mother's Day 2021
Game Changers - Part 3
The Law of Learning
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- Game Changers
- No Greater Game Changers than Mothers!

Deut. 6:4-8 (ESV) "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

5 Things My Mother Taught Me:

1st) Jesus is greater than **RELIGION**.

James 2:10 (NIV) For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

- Religion - a return to bondage. The word is traced to the Latin: "Re" meaning again and "ligare" meaning "to bind"

Gal. 3:10 (NIV) Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law.

2nd) **PEOPLE** are important.

Mark 12:30-31(ESV) And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

3 Reasons Why Church Community is Important:

A) **JUSTIFY**.

- Without other people checking us we will justify anything

B) **PERSPECTIVE**.

C) **ONE ANOTHER'S**.

- Love one another

- Teach one another
- Admonish one another
- Encourage one another

3rd) Life isn't **FAIR**.

Ecc. 9:11 (ERV) I also saw other things in this life that were not fair.

Hebrews 6:10 (CEV) God is always fair. He will remember how you helped his people in the past and how you are still helping them. You belong to God, and he won't forget the love you have shown his people.

James 1:12 (CEV) God will bless you, if you don't give up when your faith is being tested. He will reward you with a glorious life, just as he rewards everyone who loves him.—

4th) We're all **BROKEN**.

Romans 3:23 (ESV) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

- Grace received is Grace extended
- Only those who know they're broken can be mended
- God never wastes your pain
- The broken become masters at mending
- You can take it to Jesus
- He's a friend of sinners

Hebrews 4:15-16 (NIV) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

- The difference is that, no matter how hard we try, we can never quite “clean up the mess.”
- One of the major reasons we don't know God's love and grace, and don't experience his presence, is that we refuse to eat from the banquet of grace that he has placed before us.

5th) Parenting is about **GRACE**.

Romans 6:1-2 (NIV) What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?

- Grace-based parenting
- Grace-based parenting attempts to parent children the way God parents us — by grace.
- Grace teaches, graces protect, grace encourages, and grace redeems. Grace even disciplines and corrects.
- We are not under the law — but we are under grace

- Grace-based parenting does not mean we let our children do whatever they want to do
- I actually believe grace-parenting can lead to a stronger walk with the Lord for our children
- Set clear boundaries
- Anything permitted increases
- Recognize the individuality of the child.
- Pray for them regularly
- Prayers get answered!

Col. 4:2 (NIV) Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

- Major on the majors, not the minors.
- Consider the heart.
- Always tried to determine the reasons behind actions before deciding on discipline
- A pure heart was always treated differently from a rebellious heart

Proverbs 4:23 (NIV) Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

- Give multiple chances and forgive easily.
- Children should always know that you love them, that you would never forsake them, even when they have done something wrong
- Be a “fun” parent.
- Obedience doesn’t bring freedom
- Freedom brings obedience