

Family Devotions and Outreach

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I. Introduction.

A. "Family devotions "is a Quiet Time around the breakfast table.

II. Example devotional time.

A. Reading of the text: work with your hands and do whatever you do in the name of Jesus.
(Ecclesiastes 9:10, Colossians 3:17)

B. Questions.

C. Prayer.

III. Practical tips on the devotional time.

A. Use simple devotional books for early age.

B. Times for devotionals vary depending upon the age of the children.

C. Children's "Pilgrim's Progress" was one of the best books to do devotions through.

D. The father sets the tone and must practice what he preaches.

IV. The devotional life.

A. This is the life and actions of one devoted to Christ - it is the condition of one heart to the Lord.

B. It is important for the family to always maintain an atmosphere of prayer. (Colossians 4:2)

C. Everything is to be sacred in the family.

1. There are no sin breaks.

2. Everything should be done to the glory of God.

D. We reap what we sew.

E. Outreach is important with the family, which is to be separate from individual devotions.

F. When you do not have much time, you always have to do things in order of their priority.

G. Try to set a goal to practice disciplines every day, that way if you miss a day here or there it is only a day that you miss.

Application questions

1. How did the speaker construct devotional time?

2. What practical tips for the devotional life stood out to you? Why?

3. Memorize Colossians 4:2 and write it below. What bearing does this verse have on the devotional life?
