



Families In Focus

“A Biblical Portrait Of Children”

- Introduction:
1. Just as mother and father owe much to the home, so do the children.
 2. Children can make the difference in a happy home and a miserable home.
 3. Let us examine a few things children owe the home, and examine a few biblical portraits of children.

I. What Children Should Bring To The Home

- A. Obedience.
1. (Ephesians 6:1-3).
 2. (Luke 2:51) Jesus was an obedient child.
 3. Obedience is a challenge to young people, but it prepares them for discipleship.
- B. Honor, Respect, & Care.
1. (Mark 7:9-13).
 2. (1 Timothy 5:4).

II. Biblical Portraits Of Young People

- A. David — An Example Of Courage And Dedication.
1. (1 Samuel 17:29-33).
 2. Do what is right and don't let others dictate your behavior.
- B. Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego — Youth Was Not Used As An Excuse.
1. (Daniel 1:8).
 2. (Daniel 3:16-18).
 3. (Jeremiah 1:6-7).
- C. Samuel — A Mouthpiece For God.
1. (I Samuel 3:1-18).
 2. Truth is narrow, and often difficult to speak because of its consequences.
- D. The Prodigal Son — An Example Of Humility.
1. (Luke 15:11-32).

- Conclusion:
1. There are many advantages to youth; use them to the advantage of your family, the church, and the Lord (1 Timothy 4:12).
 2. (Ecclesiastes 12:1).

