

A CHOSEN GENERATION

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TEXT: 1 PETER 2:9 NKJV

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light

1. Recognize the importance of your role

PSALM 127:3

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him.

- A. Strengthen your marriage
- B. The importance of presence

JOHN 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

- C. Create memories
- D. Encourage

PROVERBS 15:1

A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

2. Beware of identity theft

- A. Fight for purity in your home
- B. Make God normal in your house

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. 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."

- C. Always parent to the heart

PROVERBS 4:23

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

3. Stay in faith

HEBREWS 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. *What areas of your role as a parent, or the role you've seen others play as a parent, do you feel could be re-evaluated?*
2. *How can you make God "normal" in your family's every day life?*
3. *What is your plan to leave a spiritual legacy for the generations to come?*