

Saturday, November 21, 2020

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## **build homework**

**DUE: December 5, 2020**

Before you begin your homework, take some time to pray and direct your heart and mind towards God and His Word. Ask God for help in submitting your life and thoughts to His word that you might draw near to Him in this time. Ask Him to increase your desire to know and love and obey Him.

### **LOOKING BACK...**

Look back at your notes from November 21 (D2: A Biblical Survey of the Home) and remind yourself of God's heart for the household.

### GOD'S CONCERN FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

Take another look at Deuteronomy 4:9,10. We have been talking this year about how "Discipline 1" (D1) relates to the shepherding of our own hearts and D2 relates to the shepherding of our homes. What do these verses tell us about the priority of heart shepherding relative to home shepherding? Are there any ways in which you are tempted to leapfrog over D1 to get to D2?

### GOD'S HEART FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

Read Joshua 24:14,15 again and remind yourself of the significance of the region of Shechem (Genesis 35:1-4; Joshua 24:1,2). What do verses 14 and 15 tell us must be true about households that desire to serve the Lord?

Read the story of Samuel's sons in 2 Samuel 7:15-8:6. What was the main reason why Israel asked Samuel to appoint a king over them? What does this story reveal about the effectiveness of D3 (The Ministry) in a man's life when he is lacking in D2?

#### FORGETTING GOD IN THE HOUSEHOLD

Remind yourself of the prosperity Israel would enjoy upon entry into the Promised Land (Deuteronomy 6:10,11). According to Deuteronomy 8:11-14, what would cause Israel to forget the Lord after receiving so many blessings? What warning can we take from this passage?

#### THE ATTACK ON THE HOUSEHOLD

Look again at Titus 1:7-14 taking note of the condition of some of the families on Crete (v 11). What household figure appears to be functioning badly in this situation? If you are a husband or father, how does this passage challenge you? If you are not married, what does this passage tell you must be a growing part of your life before you pursue marriage?

#### THE NEW TESTAMENT MODEL FOR MARRIAGE

Read Ephesians 5:25-27 again. If you are married, how are you encouraged and how are you challenged by this passage? If you are unmarried, how does this passage inform your view of what is required for a successful marriage?

#### **LOOKING AHEAD...**

In preparation for our next lesson (D2: Leading Our Household in the Management of Resources), think about the difference between ownership and stewardship. Then think about what that means for the things that God owns, but has entrusted to our care.