

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 8/9/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 6:1-4](#)

TITLE: “GOD’S PLAN FOR THE FAMILY/THE ISSUES”

INTRO:

1. Appropriate 3-part focus on the family as families
_____ for BACK TO SCHOOL...
2. Three principles from *Ephesians 6:1-4*:
 - a. Children, _____ to your parents.
 - b. Children, _____ your parents for divine blessing.
 - c. Parents, _____ your children biblically.
3. Credit John MacArthur/main resource...

PROPOSITION: Stand strong and speak up with boldness for the family principles taught in the Bible.

I. THE ATTACK ON THE FAMILY.

A. The _____ Of The Attack On The Family.

1. God’s plan, [Deuteronomy 6:1-9](#).
 - a. The message of God
*Theology/*Deuteronomy 6:4*.
*Response/*Deuteronomy 6:5*.
 - b. The mechanics of obedience.
*Personal commitment.
*Parental communication-_____, symbols, & surroundings.
2. Satan’s resistance, [1 Peter 5:5-9](#).

B. The Strategy Of The Attack On The Family.

1. Fathers are attacked.
 - a. Depravity...
 - b. Cultural corruption...
2. Mothers are attacked.

- a. Depravity...
- b. Cultural corruption...
- 3. Children are attacked.
 - a. Depravity...
 - b. Abandoned at _____.
 - c. Influenced by media: perverted role models, rampant immorality and stifled communication.
 - d. Impact of day-care.
 - e. Sinful _____ and abuse.
- C. The Specifics Of The Attack On The Family.
 - 1 The curse of sin, [Romans 3:10-18](#).
 - 2. The _____ of parents.
 - a. Making kids implies responsibility.
 - b. Do families really need two incomes?
 - c. Are children getting older at a younger age?
 - b. Acceptance does not negate a differing opinion.
 - 3. The entrenchment of humanistic philosophy.
 - 4. The social elevation of _____/“rights” and maturity.

II. THE SUBMISSION OF THE CHILD, *Ephesians 6:1-3*.

- A. The Command To Obey And Honor.
- B. Children Are Offspring _____ Parental Control, cf. [Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:15; 23:13; Deuteronomy 4:9](#).

III. THE SUBMISSION OF THE PARENTS, *Ephesians 6:4*.

- A. Step Up To The Plate.
- B. Strive For Balance...

CONCLUSION:

- 1. Are you God’s child?
- 2. Are your eyes open to the task?