

Age of Opportunity

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RHETORICAL QUESTION: What “life lessons” have you taught your teenager lately?

- Meaningful interactions with our teens can be _____ and _____, especially the more involved they become in “_____” activities.

When do you find your teenager most open to interaction?

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 - Buddhist
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 - 2 year old
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The Family as a Theological Community

- “We must always ask questions about _____, His _____, and His _____ no matter what the subject or situation being _____.” (Tripp, pg. 54)
- It is _____ that we embed the story of our teens in the _____ story of God!
- Our teens need to see the mundane and magical events of life from God’s perspective by learning to ask two questions:

a. QUESTION #1

b. QUESTION #2

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- Whether we like it or not, the family is the _____ where our teens learn to love their _____ as much as they do themselves!
- “Sinners are much better at making _____ than they are at making _____, much better at hatred than they are at _____.” (Tripp, pg. 62)
- There are so many _____ events within the dynamics of a family that we are given many opportunities to discern whether our teens are governed by the RULE OF _____ or the RULE OF _____.

Can you name some of those events?

The Family as a Redemptive Community

- The harsh reality of human _____ occurs within family relationships on a regular basis.
- The _____ frees our teens from the chains of habitual sin and brings them “to the one place of _____ and _____, the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Tripp, pg. 69)
- When we “_____ our faults to one another” (James 5:16), we model the Gospel before our teens.

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