

Introduction:

- Someone has said, "We make our choices; then our choices make us."
- Some of our good choices have resulted in a happy marriage, a great job, and deep personal satisfaction. Some of our poor choices have resulted in destroying a marriage, losing a job, and suffering shame and reproach.
- Few things will determine the quality and fulfillment of your life like the choices you make – for better or for worse.

Transferable Concept: Teach them to make _____ choices.

A Theology of Holiness:

- God is high, _____ “totally other.”
- God is absolute _____.
- God’s _____ defines absolute truth.
- God’s _____ (morals) is for our protection.
- God’s ultimate aim is to make us _____.
- Old Testament Roots – Exodus 3:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8
- Biblical Profiles – Moses, Stephen
- New Testament Command – 1 Peter 1:15-16 (NIV)

¹⁵“But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; ¹⁶for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”

Application: I _____ _____ commit to
learn how to discern good from evil.

Help Them Learn to Make Wise Choices

1. Encourage them to saturate their minds with the _____. The Bible, great books, CDs, videos – Romans 8:5-8, John 8:32
2. Encourage them to _____ regularly with wise, godly people. – Proverbs 13:20
3. Model for them how to _____ for discernment and wisdom. – Philippians 1:9-11, James 1:5
4. Teach them to monitor their _____ to the media. – Romans 12:2

“Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Life Message: Holy living allows you to experience God's _____ for your life.

Discussion Questions

1. Read Romans 12:2 with your children. Talk about what God's motivation is in commanding us "not to be conformed" to this world?
2. Allow your children to learn from you. Share with them an area of your life where you have experienced God's transforming grace has made you holy and whole where impurity and brokenness used to exist?
3. What activities, people, media, etc. draw you or your children away from Christ-like living? Which ones draw you toward Christ-like living?
4. What specific step of obedience does your family need to take to grow in personal holiness?