

SESSION 2 BIBLE PRIORITIES AND PLANNING

1. Recap: goals
 - Biblical versus secular
 - Biblical foundations and principles
 - Grace

**exercise: what Biblical verses or principles would help you decide:*

- (a) where you live or work?
- (b) where your children go to school?
- (c) what career path your children should follow?

2. The Biblical God [and why this information is vital]
 - (a) Lord – Genesis 22/ Philippians 2
 - (b) Forgiving – Exodus 34/ Matthew 18
 - (c) Holy – Leviticus 11/ 1 Peter 1
 - (d) Loving – Numbers 22/ Luke 18
 - (e) Serious – Deuteronomy 8/ Hebrews 12

**Spirit...Light...Love...Fire*

**exercise (for yourself sometime this week): Are you and/or your children unbalanced in how you/they serve this biblical God?*

3. Biblical roles:
 - (a) Genesis 2 to 3: creation order, not cultural
 - (b) Ephesians 5 to 6: - wives/ children (first word)
- husbands/ fathers (second word)
 - (c) 1 Timothy 2: family of God reinforcing family at home
(*fruits at church *fruits at home)

**exercise: read through the 3 models of marriage overleaf and identify the biblical one*

4. Practical steps:
 - (a) Your walk with Christ
 - (b) Your fellowship with your spouse
 - (c) Your (fatherly) leadership in the home
(motherly) role in the home

**exercise: what keeps men and women from exercising their God given roles and what can be done to help them happen?*

5. Gospelling (not legalizing) your children when you read to them:
 - (a) Noah's ark
 - (b) David and Goliath
 - (c) Daniel in the Lion's Den
 - (d) Jonah

**exercise: How do the two original goals for this conference affect the conclusions from this session?*

Three Models of Marriage

1. *Chain of Command Model*

Husband seen as boss.
Wife's primary role seen as submission.
Ephesians 5:22-24

2. *Complementarian Model*

Husband's calling that of servant leader.
Husband responsible before God for well-being
of wife and spiritual direction of family.
Submission not wife's *role* but *response* to
husband's calling.
Acceptance of leadership/submission
(Ephesians 5:22ff) and
mutuality (1 Corinthians 7:4-5)

3. *Egalitarian Model*

Complete equality, interchangeable
callings.
Husband not leader in the
relationship.
Ephesians 5:21ff seen as mutual submission/
1st century culture.
1 Corinthians 7:4-5.