Morning Lesson

TEACHING CHILDREN TO LOVE THE RIGHT THINGS Matt. 22:36-40

INTRO:

- 1. We need to teach our children to love the things that God loves.
- 2. This includes teaching to not love the world.

 1 John 2:15
- 3. Teach children to love...

I. LEARNING.

- A. It is a blessing to have a desire to know. **Prov. 23:23**; 1 Pet.2:2
- B. It is better to gain wisdom than to gain gold. Prov. 4:5-8; 16:16; Psalm 111:10; Eccl. 7:11

II. WORK.

- A. Life is not all play. Gen. 2:15; Eph. 4:28
- B. Nor is it all work. Mark 6:31

III. LIBERTY.

- A. We have freedom to do right. Gal. 5:1; John 8:32
- B. Teach children to not infringe on the liberty of others. **Matt.7:12**

IV. LAW.

- A. Be law abiding even if others are not. 1 Pet. 2:13-15
- B. Law is God's idea, Rom, 13:1-8

V. LIFE.

- A. Love to live. 1 Pet. 3:8-11
- B. Following God lets us see good days and be productive.Psalm 1

VI. GOD.

- A. Loving God also means loving Christ, the Bible, and the church. Matt. 22:37; 1 John 5:3-5; John 14:21
- B. We cannot love sin if we love God. Amos 5:15; Rom. 12:9

VII. BRETHREN. 1 Pet. 1:22; 2:17

VIII. OTHERS. Matt. 22:37-39

CONC:

- 1. Learning what to love pays dividends throughout life.
- 2. It pays even when this life is over.