Delighting In Your Children – The Key to Their Hearts

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- 1. Learning to View Life From our Child's Point of View
 - "step into the shoes of another"
 - correcting and guiding them from your heart
- 2. Learn to Delight in Your Children as God delights in us.
 - We are a picture of God to our children
 - A principle we stumbled across
 - Proverbs 8:30, Psalm 18:19, Proverbs 8:31, Isaiah 62:4,
 Psalm 22:8, Proverbs 3:12, Psalm 37:23
 - When we delight in our children it generates correct responses in them
 - Isaiah 42:1- just, full of spirit, patient, faithful, encouraged, productive, useful
 - Rick's testimony
 - I believe delighting in your kids is the key to your kids giving you their heart
 - It takes time to get to know each child, their passions, interests, stumbling blocks, what motivates them, discourages them
 - Kids must know we are dedicated to their success
 - Consideration for their input
 - Psalm 40:8 "I delight to do Thy will"
 - Delight is a matter of the heart
- 3. What Does it Mean, Practically to Delight in Your Child?

DELIGHT- to be pleased; to satisfy a debt, be acceptable, accomplish, set affection on, approve, enjoy, have favor, etc

- Delight is a more permanent pleasure than joy and not dependent on sudden excitement
- A. Concrete examples
- B. How does this affect our kids growing up?

4. Building Strong Family Ties

- Family Traditions
- Holidays
- Birthdays

5. Strengthened by Family Fun Times

- Specific Ideas
- 6. Learning Together

7. Inspire Your Child to Greatness

- 8. God's Word is the Basis
 - Isaiah 55:8-9

9. Impart Vision to Them

- Pray with vision
- Speaking vision into their lives
- Learning vision as a family
- Blessing their efforts