

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of August 13, 2023

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to “break the ice” and get people talking)

- If you have children, what is something that do that “sparks joy” in you? If you don’t have children, what is something that you’ve seen children do that “sparked joy” in you?
- Talk about the differences in school age kids now versus when you were in school.
- The title of the sermon was, “What do I do with these kids?” What are some things that the world is trying to do to deal with children that are out of control?
- Read I Samuel 2:12. What are some things that we can be looking for that might indicate that children do not “know the Lord.”
- What are some things that others have done to help you “know the Lord?”
- Read I Samuel 2:29. “Honourest” means “give the priority.” What are some ways that parents “give the priority” to their children instead of to the Lord?
- Talk about how I Samuel 2:35 gives us insight into what it looks like to “give priority” to the Lord in our families.
- Read I Samuel 3:13 and Proverbs 22:15. Why is it so important for children to have “restraint” and what are some practical ways we can provide this for them?
- Josh summarized “what to do with these kids” by saying, “Tell them about Jesus. Put Jesus first. Teach them to make wise choices.” Which of these is easiest for you? Which is most difficult?
- Take some time to pray together.

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