

FAMILY MATTERS: RELEASING OUR CHILDREN

Psalm 127:3-5

- I. Maintain Marriage As A _____ - Genesis 2:24
 - A. But it's common in our culture for marriage to _____ around the _____ - Matthew 6:33
 - B. Prioritize the marriage by spending _____ together
- II. Understand That Children Seek _____ Instinctively
 - A. It's instinctive in parents to _____ on and _____ - Luke 2:48-51
 - B. Two common _____ of parents
 1. Getting their feelings _____ when their children pull away
 2. Giving children too _____ of what they want too _____ - Proverbs 22:15
- III. Grant Children _____ Progressively – Ephesians 6:1,4
 - A. There has to be _____
 - B. They aren't released well if they don't have a strong _____ foundation – Deuteronomy 11:18-21
- IV. Release _____ Children Completely
 - A. Move to more of a _____ to _____ relationship
 - B. Young adults need to learn to cut the _____ _____ too – Mark 3:32-35
- V. Love Troubled Children _____
 - A. A parent's love is _____ I Corinthians 13:5-8
 - B. You may be the only demonstration of _____ unconditional love they see – Romans 5:8; John 3:16