

2 FUNCTION that's proven:

3 FIT that's natural:

PICKING PRINCIPLES

24 *The sins of some men are quite evident, going before them to judgment; for others, their sins follow after. 25 Likewise also, deeds that are good are quite evident, and those which are otherwise cannot be concealed.*

TRUTH in TIME

Take home:

#1 You can't ignore your earthly dad,
and you can't ignore your spiritual _____

3 John 4 *I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.*

#2 God is the one who sovereignly selects your Elders,
and God is the one who sovereignly _____ you.

Acts 20:28 *"Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood*

Ephesians 2:10 *For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them*

#3 Make certain your heart is in _____ to Christ

2 Corinthians 5:15 *and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.*

LIFE BEGINS IN CHRIST...

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

1. Why does God expect Christians to HONOR their elders and leaders? What does that look like?
2. Why is paying certain elders important to the church body?
3. How do Christians protect their leaders? How do you stop unfounded accusations biblically?
4. When should a Christian confront another Christian? When should a Christian confront an elder, and how?
5. What are the most important principles as it relates to appointing new elders and other spiritual leaders?
6. What is unique about spiritual leaders, and what is unique about teaching pastors? How are they different, and why?
7. How can you fear God more than men this week in a more dramatic way?

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