The Bible prioritizes our responsibilities:

1. _____**God**
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____ – ***Love for the brethren!***
5. Your _____ and Hobbies

If you misalign these priorities, not only are you missing out on God's best for your life, but you are _____ your children's future!

Ephesians 6:4 *(ESV)*; Proverbs 20:11

Parents are responsible for how they invest _____ into the lives of their children before they leave home!

The _____ love of a parent is demonstrated in modeling spiritual disciplines! – **Mark 8:36**

God's primary concern is _____, not _____! – **Philippians 4:7; 1 Peter 1:8**

Discipline and correction in the Lord is the _____ demonstration of love we can give our children!

We must have _____ in what God's Word teaches and we must teach our kids that God's Word _____ man's opinion!

Parents – You need to know _____ you believe and _____ you believe it! – **2 Timothy 2:15**

Have you ever considered why God addresses parents and children _____ to addressing spiritual warfare in Ephesians 6**?**

Ephesians 6:1-4, 10-12 {Page **1781** Pew Bible}

Deuteronomy 6:1-7 {Page **258** Pew Bible}

Matthew 15:7–9

We Must Raise Spiritually Vibrant Children!

I. The _____ for raising spiritually vibrant children – **Ephesians 6:1-3**

A Christian parent is not _____ on pleasing their child. They are _____ on doing what is best for their child.

If a parent pleases their children all the time, the _____ is the _____!

Parents have been given the responsibility to …

1. Teach children to _____!

Obedience is born out of _____! – **Proverbs 9:10**

The fear of the Lord begins with a healthy fear of discipline that parents are _____ by God to give!

"Parents, take inventory in your own hearts. Do you thirst for God as the deer pants after the water? Or is your own life sending your children a message of hypocrisy and **spiritual indifference?** Is our own commitment to Christ what you hope to see in your children's lives? Is your obedience to His Word the same kind of submission you long to see from your own kids? These are crucial questions each parent must face if we really want to be successful parents and good role models for our children. Parents who are lax in these areas virtually guarantee that their sons and daughters will fail spiritually." **– John MacArthur**

2. Teach our children to _____ others**!**

This is the _____ of obedience! – **Philippians 2:3**