"Top 10 Dadisms"

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2.	Prov. 5:7; 7:24; 8:6, 32; 13:1; 19:20; 23:19; 23:22
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•	Prov. 21:9; 31; 19:14; 18:22
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•	Prov. 5:20-23; 9:13-18
6.	– Prov. 5:15ff
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8.	! – Prov. 6:6-11; 10:4; 22:29; 1 Cor. 15
9.	– Prov. 3:9f; 6:1-5
10.	– Prov. 3:27-29; 11:12; 25:8f

Discussion & Application:

- 1. What are "Dadisms?" Which ones do you remember your father / parents saying to you?
- 2. Why do you think Pastor Paul likes #1 and #10 as bookends for his Dadisms? See Mt. 22:36-40. How would applying these two lessons make all the other ones easier?
- 3. What does it mean to "fear" the Lord? Why does this produce wisdom, understanding, and obedience?
- 4. Why is it important for children to obey their parents? How does this help them when they are older and "out of the house?"
- 5. How are you modeling for your children (or grandchildren or people younger than you) practical ways to guard your heart / mind? What role does the Bible play in this?
- 6. Why is it important to choose friends carefully? What character qualities are important in a friend? In a spouse? How are you helping your children BE good friends?
- 7. What is self-control? Why is it important that we control our bodies instead of our bodies controlling us? How are you modeling self-control for your children?
- 8. Does enjoying your spouse always come naturally? If not, what are some practical ways that married couples can enjoy one another? How does one keep the spark alive?
- 9. What does James 3 say about the tongue? Why is it so hard to control our words? What Bible verses should your children memorize to help them gain mastery over their tongue? What verses help with tone of voice?
- 10. Is work part of the curse on man in Genesis 3? If not, then what is work? Why did God give it to us? Why should we work hard? How are you modeling being a hard worker for your children? At home? At work? At church?
- 11. How much of our money belongs to God? What does it mean to be a steward? How can you help your children understand that everything they are and everything they have belongs to the Lord? How are you practically teaching them to use a budget?
- 12. What does it mean to love your neighbor? Who is your neighbor? (See Luke 10:25-37) How does loving your neighbor lead to opportunities for the gospel? (Mt. 5:16; 1 Pet. 2:11-12)
- 13. Can our children carry out these 10 lessons on their own? What part does the Gospel play in living out these Dadisms? (see Gal. 3:24; 5:16-26)
- 14. "A picture is worth a thousand words." How are you doing in each of these 10 areas of life? Pray about your areas of struggle and become accountable to change so you can lead your children by example.
- 15. After teaching these truths to your children there is no absolute guarantee that they will follow them (including Prov. 22:6). Pray fervently for your children and entrust them to the Lord. He alone is able to change them from the inside-out and empower them to live this way by His Spirit. Do your part and leave the rest in His powerful hands.