

Recap of 5/24/26 message by Joe Ricchuiti

(“The Passive Parent”) 1Kings 1:1-10:

- 1.** -In the first verses of 1 Kings chapter one we’re introduced to:
 - King David, who is advanced in years and in failing health (vv. 1-4)
 - David’s son, Adonijah, who attempts to rake advantage of David’s situation to ascend the throne vs 5-9
 - The fact that David was an indulgent Father who flunked Disciplining Children 101 (vs. 6).
 - We discipline our children: to shape their will, to counter their sin nature, to save them from death, to led them to Christ.

- 2.** - “David was used by God to lead a nation. Nevertheless, he had problem in managing his own family., God-fearing leaders cannot take for granted the spiritual well-being of their children character takes years rebuild, requiring attentive and patient discipline...Don’t’ let your service to God, even in leadership positions, take up so much of your time and energy that you neglect your other God-given responsibilities. (The One Year NLT Study Bible.)

- 3.** To build a godly home, we need to observe six priorities: Persons before Things; Home before Occupation; Partner before Children; Children before Friends; Partner before Self; Spiritual before Material. (Stanley Toussaint, Building a happy Home).

- 4.** Adonijah is an example of those who are:
 - Ambitious, scheming for their own way rather than embracing God’s agenda.
 - Rebellious against God and His plan rather than submitting to God,
 - opportunists using religion to get ahead rather than submitting to the Lordship of Christ.
 - Surround themselves with those who tell them only what they want to hear rather than what they need to hear

- 5.** “Adonijah ...had never learned to subject his personal desires to a higher will...” (Edersheim)