PARENTAL GUIDANCE REQUIRED

Pt 2 – Turning the Spiritual Dial in Your Child's Life Pastor Vernie Fletcher September 30th, 2007

Review:

Last week we learned the three critical relationships that shape and determine how well a child is equipped to face life, are relationships with:

- Parents
- God
- Others outside the home

During the fleeting window of time called parenthood, you have a unique opportunity to "Turn the dial" and influence the quality of these relationships. No one has more potential to impact a child's relationship with God than parents do.

Three questions to ask to help turn the Spiritual Dial in your child's life:

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

1. What do I want them to become?

A fully equipped man or woman of God

2. Where are they now?

Question and probe where they are in their spiritual life

3. How can I help them take the next step?

It may be salvation, a personal quiet time, dealing with temptation, or how to have their own personal ministry.

To Think About: You can't take your children somewhere you've never been. It may be time to re-think and re-direct your spiritual life. As a parent, it's never too late to start. The starting point may be to begin asking these three questions in your own life first.