



Session 3 - A Christian Vision for Sibling Relationships

I. What are "Christian siblings?"

II. The safety net of siblings

A. Do siblings create competition and divide the love of parents?

B. How "self-focus" affects our view of siblings and family. 2 Timothy 3:1-2a

III. Biblical siblings and lessons for parenting

A. Cain and Abel – Genesis 4

*Satan wants spiritual _____,
God wants spiritual _____.*

Encourage your kids to pray with and for each other.

B. Shem, Ham, and Japheth – Genesis 5-9

*Satan wants siblings to work _____ to help themselves, God
wants siblings to work _____ to help the family.*

Look for opportunities for your children to serve the family together.

C. Jacob and Esau

*Satan wants siblings _____ and estranged.
God wants siblings to _____ quickly.*

Four step apology:

Confess

Acknowledge

Express Regret

Ask for Forgiveness

IV. Practical Sibling Parenting

- A. “Brainwash” early – who is your best friend?
- B. Treat siblings “better” than friends.
- C. Build heart connection – “kids' night”
- D. Include siblings when friends are over
- E. Change the way you view conflict.
- F. Use “the-brother-offended” checklist
- G. Have fun family time
- H. Go work it out – but not too far away
- I. Create bedtime routines and opportunities

V. Siblings together for the Kingdom of God

_____, _____, and _____

Exodus through Deuteronomy

Pray as a family for God to show the siblings in the family how they can advance His Kingdom together.