

Protecting our Family from Leadership Locking January 15-16, 2022

Locking - Family locking happens when certain or all members of the family stop working together for the greater good of the whole and there is no clear leadership to empower everyone back to God's purposes.

Unlocking Leadership in My Family:



Identify what "locked up" our leadership in the first place and adjust.

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The Profile of a Lockdown Family Leader:

- The family leader must be committed to <u>God</u> and <u>spouse</u>.
- The family leader must be committed to raising <u>godly</u> <u>children</u>.
- The family leader must be committed to his/her spiritual <u>discipline</u>.
- The family leader must be committed to maintaining the right <u>attitude</u>.
- The family leader must be committed to <u>praying</u> for the family.

"If leadership is failing, one or more of these traits is missing."

# Titus 2:1-8 (CEV)

"Titus, you must teach only what is correct. Tell the older men to have self-control and to be serious and sensible. Their faith, love, and patience must never fail. Tell the older women to behave as those who love the Lord should. They must not gossip about others or be slaves of wine. They must teach what is proper, so the younger women will be loving wives and mothers. Each of the younger women must be sensible and kind, as well as a good homemaker, who puts her own husband first. Then no one can say insulting things about God's message. Tell the young men to have self-control in everything. Always set a good example for others. Be sincere and serious when you teach. Use clean language that no one can criticize. Do this, and your enemies will be too ashamed to say anything against you."

# Proverbs 22:6 (TPT)

"Dedicate your children to God and point them in the way that they should go, and the values they've learned from you will be with them for life."

"<u>Servant</u> leadership is the only kind of leadership for a successful marriage and healthy <u>children</u>."



Invest in my spouse intentionally.

• Wives - your husband will only rise as high as your <u>respect</u> lifts him.

### 1 Peter 3:2 (AMP)

"...when they see your modest and respectful behavior [together with your devotion and appreciation—love your husband, encourage him, and enjoy him as a blessing from God]."

Husbands - your wife will only <u>reflect</u> the love and honor you give her.

### 1 Peter 3:7 (AMP)

"In the same way, you husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way [with great gentleness and tact, and with an intelligent regard for the marriage relationship], as with someone physically weaker, since she is a woman. Show her honor and respect as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered or ineffective."

# "Men are logical responders and women are emotional reflectors."

# Ephesians 5:33 (AMP)

"However, each man among you [without exception] is to love his wife as his very own self [with behavior worthy of respect and esteem, always seeking the best for her with an attitude of lovingkindness], and the wife [must see to it] that she respects and delights in her husband [that she notices him and prefers him and treats him with loving concern, treasuring him, honoring him, and holding him dear]."

#### Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (MSG)

"Attention, Israel! Gob, our God! Gob the one and only! Love Gob, your God, with your whole heart: love him with all that's in you, love him with all you've got! Write these commandments that I've given you today on your hearts. Get them inside of you and then get them inside your children. Talk about them wherever you are, sitting at home or walking in the street; talk about them from the time you get up in the morning to when you fall into bed at night. Tie them on your hands and foreheads as a reminder; inscribe them on the doorposts of your homes and on your city gates."

5 ways to inspire my children:

- <u>Openly</u> demonstrate genuine <u>affection</u> for my spouse.
- <u>Offer</u> space in my home for <u>spiritual</u> conversation and worship.
- <u>Own my mistakes</u> and apologize for them.
- <u>Observe</u> the sabbath and organize your life in order to worship in church as a family.
- <u>Overflow</u> with generosity and include the children in financial giving.

## 2 Corinthians 8:9 (TPT)

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