

Contrasting Family Portraits

Eli's Family: The Wicked Family

1) *Eli's family* warns us that it is possible to be religious and yet not know the Lord (12—17)

Elkanah's Family: The Godly Family

2) *Elkanah's family* encourages us to fear God in order to receive God's blessing (18—21)

3) *Eli's family* warns us that those who live after the flesh and refuse to heed God's warnings shall incur God's judgment (22—25)

4) *Elkanah's family* encourages us to serve the Lord in order to mature both spiritually and socially (26)

5) *Eli's family* warns us that those who live for themselves will ultimately be destroyed and the date is already established by the Lord (27—36)

GBC Application Questions

Grace Bible Church desires that you respond to this sermon by believing the gospel, obeying the Savior, and discipling the world for the glory of God. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see how this can be done.

1. How did this sermon call you to "believe the gospel?" What Biblical truths were presented that you need to believe? How does this passage of Scripture affect the way you believe the gospel and therefore in how you live your life?

2. In what specific ways do you face the temptations described in this sermon? How does the gospel confront those temptations? How can you not only obey moralistically, but to obey in light of the gospel?

3. As you seek to apply these truths in your own life, think of one other person in your life that may benefit from thinking through these issues with you. What are some ways you can disciple this person in this area?
