B. We love our children by educating them.

"6 And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

"27 So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law,

28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:" Luke 2:27-28

"34 And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessings and the cursings, according to all that is written in the Book of the Law.

35 There was not a word of all that Moses had commanded which Joshua did not read before all the assembly of Israel, with the women, the little ones, and the strangers who were living among them.."

Joshua 8:34-35

C. We love our children by equipping their parents.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...."

Hosea 4:6a

"teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen." Matthew 28:20

"3 the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things—

4 that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children," Titus 2:3-4

I LOVE MY CHURCH BECAUSE WE VALUE OUR CHILDREN!!

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INTRODUCTION

A. Jesus loves the church and so should you!!

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her," Ephesians 5:25

"And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it." Matthew 16:18

B. People from all walks of life from all over the world call Capital Baptist Church "home" and love this church. In this series, we will examine six core values of our church which cause us to love this church so much.

August 19 We Love Our Bible
TODAY We Love Our Children
September 2 We Love Our Growth
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September 16 We Love Our Groups
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C. TEXT: Mark 10:13-16 (Pew Bible/Pg 601/New Test.)

God's plan is for the family and the church to work together. The family should help the church and the church should help the family. Parents need to form a close partnership with a Bible based church in raising their children.

WE LOVE OUR CHILDREN

I. WHY DO WE LOVE OUR CHILDREN?

A. Because children really need the blessing of Jesus (10:1-12).

"For the LORD God of Israel says That He hates divorce,..." Malachi 2:16a

"IBut know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:

2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3 unloving, bunforgiving, slanderers, without selfcontrol, brutal, despisers of good,

4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!"

II Timothy 3,:1-5

"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith." I John 5:4

B. Because Jesus really wants children to come to Him and be blessed (10:13-16).

"Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm." Mark 4:39

"Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward." Psalm 127:3

"But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea." Matthew 18:6

II. HOW DO WE LOVE OUR CHILDREN?

The most fertile field of evangelism is the 4-14 Window. 85% of people who become Christians do so during that age span. Parents and church leaders need to remember this and strategically minister to young people.

A. We love our children by evangelizing them.

"5 when I call to remembrance the] genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.

14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them,

15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

II Timothy 1:5, 3:14-15

"Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me." Psalm 51:5

"And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil."

Genesis 2:9

"For before the Child shall know to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land that you dread will be forsaken by both her kings." Isaiah 7:16

"But now he is dead; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

II Samuel 12:23

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17