

Point Man – Week 10

*How a Man Can Lead His Family
From the book by Steve Farrar*

Read: Chapter 11 – Rock and Roll Model

Matthew 7:24 - Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

Questions for discussion:

1. In Joshua 24:15, Joshua stands before Israel and confidently says "as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." In Psalm 51:10, David prayed for a steadfast spirit: "Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me." Can our families count on us being on God's side of every situation, or do we find ourselves being a little lukewarm about our faith sometimes?
2. How would our wives describe our walk with God? How about our kids? Would they use the words "rock," "steadfast," and "firm," or maybe "hit" and "miss?"
3. As fathers, we're to model Christianity for our kids like Paul did for his students. In 1 Corinthians 11:1, he says to "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ." Are we modeling Christianity well enough that we can say to our wives and kids, "Follow me as I follow Christ?"
4. How are we affecting our kids adult lives if our example is not one of rock solid faith, but instead is one of passive, lukewarm Christianity?

"Now we are the parents, and we get to make the decisions. And the decisions we make with our power and influence will have a tremendous impact on the next generation."