Saving Your Family From Ruin:

1. Refuse Denial: (1 Pet 5:8) Be sober, be vigilant;

Illus: Yes, We are talking about your family and your lives. "Why Are We Losing Our Family."

2. Understand the <u>Culture</u>: (1 Jn 2: 15) <u>Love not the world</u>,

<u>Illus</u>: they don't read newsprint, they are Tech savvy. (Eph 6:12) They are more connected to friends. "How Your Family can Have a Real Relationship with God."

3. **Connect:** (Prov 22:6)

Illus: Rules without Relationship Breed Rebellion.

Illus: Devotion without Direction Lead to Disaster.

Illus: Retie the strings from their heart to yours.

(Eph 6:4) fathers, provoke not your children to wrath:

(Deut 6:7) thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, "Getting the Heart of your Family"

4. **Uphold Accountability:** (Heb 13:17)

<u>Illus</u>: Help them set goals. Reading, Activities, Chores, Projects "How to Serve the Lord as a Family"

5. Stand Guard: (Eph 6:11) stand against the wiles of the devil.

<u>Illus</u>: Check their Internet History! Monitor how long they spend plugged into some form of electronics. (Eph 6:13) **having done all, to stand**.

"How to Lose Your Family."

6. Take Heed: (1 Tim 4:16) Take heed

<u>Illus</u>: Self Check your habits, they will become what you are. "Principles in Growing a Godly Family"

7. Seek Help: (Heb 4:16) find grace to help in time of need.

"Helpful Thoughts from your Pastor."