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- That they should love God and their parents and be obedient to both (in time teach them that God comes first).
- ➡ That they should be always honest and ever dependable.
- That they should be more concerned about character than they are about reputation; yet, they should have a good reputation and realize how quickly and easily it can be destroyed.
- → That they should be good friends, good neighbors, good students, and good citizens.
- ➡ That they should treat others as they want to be treated, not as others treat them.
- ➡ That they should render to no one evil for evil or reviling for reviling.
- → That they should be good examples in word and deed, in heart and life.
- That they should avoid evil companions by choosing their friends and associates carefully and wisely. They will be known and influenced by the company they keep.
- → That respect and trust must be earned, that they must be shown as well as received.
- That they should give more attention to their heart and soul, than to their body. The body will perish, but the soul will never cease to exist.
- That tobacco, illegal drugs and alcoholic beverages will do them no lasting good and eventually take away everything they hold dear.
- That sin is deceptive, concealing its true nature, promising far more than it ever delivers, hiding its ultimate cost and consequences. As someone wisely observed, "Sin will take you farther than you ever wanted to go (or where you never wanted to be), keep you longer than you ever intended to stay, get you to do more than you ever thought you would do, and cost you more than you were ever willing to pay."
- → That in all things that are theirs to do and that are right they should always do their best.
- That they should choose a vocation that is honorable and beneficial, and that they really enjoy doing. People who don't enjoy what they do are miserable.
- That they should be particular and wise in choosing a mate, being sure that they find someone they want to spend the rest of their life with and will love to the end, and someone who will help them get to heaven, not someone who will cause them to miss it — forever.
- That they should, above all else, become and be Christians, loving Christ above all others, putting Him first in all things.

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