Marriage and Family Study Heritage Christian Fellowship 5.30.12 Becoming aware of "changes" Part One

## I. Introduction:

## **Questions:**

- 1. Have you maintained an awareness of your child's response to your authority?
- 2. Have you maintained an awareness of your child's respect toward you and others?
- 3. Have you maintained a Christ centered focus for your home?
- 4. Have you maintained a proper priority of relationships?
- 5. Have you been consistent in biblical training, teaching and correcting according to age, ability and visible maturity?
- 6. Is your child demonstrating proper and consistent responsibility with all of his privileges?
- 7. Are you aware of his who your child associates with?
- 8. Are you blaming your child's changes on others?
- 9. Are you making excuses on hormonal changes?
- 10. Are you hanging on and hoping that this is simply a "phase" and that it will soon be over and your child will return to what he used to be?

- II. Moral training is essential and "authority" is foundational.
  - A. Because I have to:
  - B. Because I want to:
- III. Moral training is exemplified in self-control and diminishing selfishness.

Phil.2. (read this chapter)

Mt 15:8 'These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.

A. Selfishness- the problem **Jas 4:1-8** 

B. Self-control- the goal

Ro 12:9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;