

## QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

July 1 – September 30, 2023

### ISSUES

1. Challenges facing parents and families.
2. Financial issues facing families.
3. The moral decline of America.

*The significance of these issues was determined from speaking with community leaders and citizens and by reading local newspapers and from local television news.*

### PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING:

**Title:** *Family Talk*  
**Source:** Family Talk  
**Host:** Dr. James Dobson  
**Time:** Mon-Fri 8:00 pm  
**Duration:** 30 minutes

**Title:** *FamilyLife Today*  
**Source:** FamilyLife Communications  
**Host:** Dave & Ann Wilson  
**Time:** Mon-Fri 9:00 pm  
**Duration:** 30 minutes

**Title:** *Faith & Finance*  
**Source:** Crown Financial Ministries  
**Host:** Rob West  
**Time:** Mon-Fri 9:30 pm  
**Duration:** 30 minutes

## **TREATMENT OF ISSUES:**

### **1. Challenges facing parents and families.**

#### ***Family Talk***

7/13-14/23 - Dr. James Dobson spoke with best-selling author and speaker, Kay Coles James, about her book, *What I Wished I'd Known Before I Got Married*. Kay gave advice to those who are getting married soon, and shared her straight forward philosophy of “keeping it real and telling it like it is,” and why marriage should be forever.

7/31-8/2/23 - Research has shown that one in five adults in the U.S. has lived with an alcoholic parent or relative while growing up. Dr. James Dobson interviewed a panel of guests to discuss the traumatic and far-reaching effects that alcoholism inflicted on them as children, and they gave advice on how they cope with the pain of their past.

8/16-17/23 - Dr. James Dobson spoke with author and speaker, Angela Thomas-Pharr, about a time when she found herself divorced and on her own to care for her four young children. Discover how this brokenness in Angela’s life took her relationship with the Lord to new depths she had not yet experienced.

8/23-24/23 - Dr. Dobson talked about childhood stress with renowned author and psychologist, the late Dr. Arch Hart. They examined the pressure on our kids and identify the various physical, emotional, and mental indicators of anxiety. They explained how setting up certain boundaries for your child can greatly decrease everyday stressors for him or her, as well as for yourself.

9/11-12/23 – Dr. Tim Clinton joined Dr. James Dobson to talk to those parents of a daughter who is strong-willed and every day is a battle, or someone who doesn’t understand their son’s interests or hobbies. They gave advice on what parents can do to strengthen that difficult relationship.

9/18-19/23 - God has a perfect vision for the family, which includes both a mom and a dad. Dr. Tim Clinton discussed with John Smithbaker, author and founder of *Fathers in the Field*, God’s plan for the dads in our world, and how the accelerated increase in fatherlessness has adversely affected our society.

9/27-29/23 - It’s easy for a mother to feel guilt over things that are not done “perfectly” during those child-rearing years. Dr. James Dobson talked candidly with author and speaker, Julie Barnhill, about her book, *Motherhood: The Guilt that Keeps on Giving*. They talked to moms on how to discover the difference between true and false guilt.

## *FamilyLife Today*

7/3/23 - Skyrocketing numbers of anxiety, depression, and self-harm can be downright intimidating to parents of teens. Psychologist Dr. Ed Welch offered guidance to shape a home environment that welcomes, supports, heals and helps kids navigate their way to hope.

7/7/23 - Author Paul Miller relays personal stories and insights, underscoring the importance of truth in fostering intimacy, growth, and transformative connections. He gave advice to navigate tough conversations with grace, embrace vulnerability, and harness the power of honest feedback to deepen your relationships.

7/24-26/23 - Author Mary DeMuth knows what it's like to emerge from a painful childhood—and to have kids leave the faith. She shared insights on how to wisely navigate relationships with adult kids, starting with our own healing.

8/3/23 - Author and scholar Jeremiah Johnston has lived with crippling anxiety and fear. He told his story, and explained how he gradually found healing.

8/11/23 - Whether you're a first-time mom or a seasoned veteran, struggles with postpartum might be the same: Sleep deprivation, caring for yourself, taking care of a baby, and hormones. Kathryn and Elisha Voetberg provided ideas to navigate the challenge of postpartum depression.

8/17-18/23 – Hitting, yelling and punching are signs of anger issues in boys. Counselor David Thomas understands boys' anger and offered time-tested strategies to help boys deal with these powerful emotions.

8/21-22/23 - Too much to do, not enough time to do it. Crystal Paine—mom of six, bestselling author of *The Money-Saving Mom*, and entrepreneur—delivered real-world, no-nonsense time management advice for moms from her latest book, *The Time-Saving Mom*.

8/28-29/23 - Identity, belonging: They're burning questions in any teen, especially in stepfamily homes. Author Kara Powell discussed the needs of teens in stepfamilies with Gayla Grace and Ron Deal.

9/4-5/23 - Could the way you're thinking about your spouse be shaping your marriage in ways you've never imagined? Author Ted Lowe gave advice to revolutionize your marriage...starting with your mind.

9/19-20/23 - Being a stepfather can feel like bathing cats with your hair on fire—but your thoughtful navigation of the dynamics in your home can make a difference that lasts for decades. Author Gil Stuart offered tips on stepfathering thoughtfully, and shaping the kind of family we all long for.

## **2. Financial issues facing families.**

### ***Faith and Finance***

7/5/23 - The Bible tells us that it's good to leave an inheritance to our children, but how we do that is still a matter of some discussion. Yet there are some steps you can take to start planning. Rob West will welcomed Ron Blue to talk about the 6 steps of estate planning.

7/13/23 - Being in debt isn't good at any age, but it's especially difficult for folks in or nearing retirement. And unfortunately, growing indebtedness among our nation's senior citizens is a disturbing trend. Rob West will talked with Brandon Sieben about seniors in debt.

7/17/23 - We've all succumbed to the temptation of materialism from time to time—wasting money on things we don't really need. Rob West talked about 6 of those money wasters and how you can avoid them.

7/20/23 - Statistics show that young adults in the U.S. are sadly lacking in basic money skills. So, what's going to happen when their turn comes to run things? Rob West addressed this sobering question and remind us about some essential money management skills.

7/26/23 - Rob West talked about how much money you'll need to retire and how that answer depends on your needs, lifestyle, and one more important piece of the retirement puzzle.

8/4/23 - Many factors are making home ownership more difficult, but the big ones are higher interest rates and low inventory. Rob West welcomed Aimee Dodson to talk about overcoming those ownership hurdles so you can move from renting to buying.

8/10/23 - Student loan forgiveness is much in the news these days. Rob West talked with Art Rainer about how we're learning that it's much easier to avoid student loan debt than to get out of it—it just takes discipline.

8/16/23 - Despite mortgage rates around 7-percent, it's still a seller's market for buying a home. Rob West gave advice on what prospective buyers should do in a seller's market.

8/21/23 - If we told you there's a guaranteed way to save tens of thousands of dollars, would you be interested? Rob West explained how you can save thousands by paying off your mortgage early.

8/30/23 - Inflation and several bank failures have a lot of folks thinking about buying gold and other precious metals these days. Rob West spoke with Mark Biller to do a "check-up" on gold and shared his point of view on that investing strategy.

9/7/23 - Rob West talked with Crystal Paine to discuss why fall is now the busy wedding season and how this change affects the cost of a wedding and how you can save money on yours.

9/19/23 - If you own stocks and the market is a bit overpriced, you probably don't really mind. But if it's wildly overpriced, what does that tell us about its prospects in the future? Rob West will talk with Mark Biller about measuring the market's valuation.

9/21/23 - Rob West offered a few practical and spiritual insights that will be encouraging if you find yourself working multiple jobs.

9/26/23 - Christian parents should teach their children God's time-tested and true financial principles. Rob West talked about some financial and spiritual lessons for kids.

### **3. The moral decline of America.**

#### ***Family Talk***

8/21-22/23 - Gary Bauer interviewed Marjorie Dannenfelser, president of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America. This non-profit organization has a mission to reduce and ultimately end abortion, primarily through their support of pro-life politicians. They explained what has been done since Roe v. Wade was overturned and how you can protect the most vulnerable of human lives.

9/1/23 - With the explosion of technology, studies show that kids between the ages of 11 and 14 are the heaviest users of digital devices, spending over 9 hours a day on social media and the Internet. Dr. James Dobson discussed this sobering topic with Dr. Brenda Hunter and her daughter and co-author, Kristen Blair. Dr. Dobson asked them questions about their helpful book, *From Santa to Sexting: Keeping Kids Safe, Strong, and Secure in Middle School*. They explained how to recognize the warning signs before your child's digital life becomes a problem.

#### ***FamilyLife Today***

7/13/23 - Dr. Meg Meeker discussed the challenges parents face with their kid's digital devices, and gave advice for setting boundaries, and how to make healthy choices for your kids.

7/14/23 - Dave and Ann Wilson discussed the impact of parents on teenage girls' fashion choices, the influence of mothers and fathers, the challenges faced by stepdads, and the importance of helping kids develop a healthy sexual identity in today's toxic culture.

7/19/23 - Children's ministry vet Jared Kennedy offered navigating tough gender issues with humility and gentleness, and explained how to respond thoughtfully, ask important questions, and cultivate ongoing conversations with gender-questioning children.

9/14-15/23 - Bob and Dannah Gresh's marriage has traveled dark roads of addiction. In the wake of porn addiction, where do you turn? How do you rebuild trust after such intimate, searing betrayal? Authors Bob and Dannah Gresh shared the pervasive realities of their own heartache—and their own rocky path toward healing.