

Intro:

7th rule to rightly understand ML: READ WLC 99:7. We are responsible *for* others to obey God.

Main Point of Text: God commands His people to make their children disciples of His Word all the time in all of life.

Sermon Point: *Disciple your children.*

Move 1: *You must keep your brethren out of trouble.*

LC: “ ... what is forbidden to ourselves, we are bound ... to endeavor that it may be avoided ... by others ... ”:

- ... *thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.* (Leviticus 19:17).
- Exodus 20:10: 4th commandment. Don't cause anyone else to work on Sabbath with your recreation.

Move 2: *For you are your brother's keeper.*

LC: “ ... what is ... commanded to ourselves, we are bound ... to endeavor that it may be ... performed by others ... ”: God says of Abraham: *For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD* ... (Genesis 18:19). Context is Genesis 17.

Move 3: *And you are especially responsible for the hearts of your family.*

LC: “ ... according to our places ... according to the duty of their places ”:

- ... *as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.* (Joshua 24:15)
- Deuteronomy 6:6-7: Covenant Homes are the primary way God naturally builds His church.
 - Vs. 7: what are you to do? Speak. Speak what? Vs. 6, God's words/commands.
 - Where? Vs. 7: everywhere. When? Vs. 7: at all times.
- Great Commission, Matthew 18:19, 20: make disciples of all nations. Don't overlook your children.
- Notice that the focus is on *pre-discipline*. Discipleship. Cultivation of their hearts.

Conclusion: T. Ridgeley: “Not to endeavor to prevent sin in others is, in effect, to commit it ourselves.”

Disciple your children.