# Our 24 Family Ways

### Concerning AUTHORITIES in our family...

- 1 We love and obey our Lord, Jesus Christ, with wholehearted devotion.
- **2** We **read** the Bible and **pray** to God every day with an **open** heart.
- **3** We honor and obey our parents in the Lord with a respectful attitude.
- **4** We listen to **correction** and accept **discipline** with a **submissive** spirit.

#### Concerning **RELATIONSHIPS** in our family...

- **5** We **love** one another, treating others with **kindness**, **gentleness**, and respect.
- **6** We **serve** one another, **humbly** thinking of the **needs** of others first.
- We encourage one another, using only words that build up and bless others.
- **8** We **forgive** one another, covering an offense with **love** when **wronged** or hurt.

### Concerning **POSSESSIONS** in our family...

- **9** We are **thankful** to God for what we have, whether it is **a little** or **a lot**.
- 10 We are content with what we have, not coveting what others have.
- **11** We are **generous** with what we have, **sharing** freely with others.
- 12 We take care of what we have, using it wisely and responsibly...

#### Concerning WORK in our family...

- 13 We are diligent to complete a task promptly and thoroughly when asked.
- 14 We take initiative to do all of our own work without needing to be told.
- 15 We work with a **cooperative** spirit, freely **giving** and **receiving** help.
- 16 We take personal responsibility to keep our home neat and clean at all times.

## Concerning **ATTITUDES** in our family...

- 17 We choose to be joyful, even when we feel like complaining.
- 18 We choose to be peacemakers, even when we feel like arguing.
- 19 We choose to be patient, even when we feel like getting our own way.
- 20 We choose to be gracious, even when we don't feel like it.

#### Concerning CHOICES in our family...

- **21** We do what we know is **right**, regardless what others **do or say**.
- **22** We ask **before we act** when we do not know what is **right** to do.
- **23** We exercise **self-control** at **all** times and in **every** kind of situation.
- **24** We always **tell the truth** and do not practice **deceitfulness** of any kind.

# Training for the Way of Life

When my children were young, I wanted a tool to train them for God's "path of life." I wanted a way to reinforce that Old Testament picture, and to naturally combine devotion, discipleship, and discipline. That's when I wrote Our 24 Family Ways.

The "Ways" are not rules or laws—they are simply the language of biblical family values. They are not meant to be rigidly enforced, but to be winsome words to teach biblical values for family life that will be easy for your children to remember and use.

Each Way includes a Scripture memory verse, character quality definition, an explanation of the Way, and five "just add Bible" family devotions (120 in all) using the Family Devotional ARTS outline (Ask, Read, Talk, Speak). There are also 25 professional illustrations, "story starter" paragraphs, practice pages, Bible memory cards (NIV, NASB, NKJV), and line art color-in pages for younger children. For younger children in your home, there's the companion *Kids Color-In Book* that your child will delight in owning, coloring, and using to learn all the Ways.

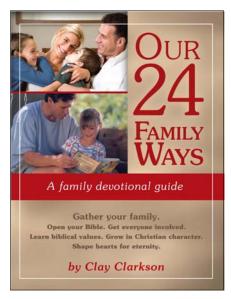
Our 24 Family Ways is parent-directed, child-centered, and grace-based. It is the practical expression of the principles taught in my book Heartfelt Discipline ~ Following God's Path of Life to the Heart of Your Child. If your children are in that critical 4-to -14 year-old age window, then Our 24 Family Ways is a devotional, discipleship, and discipline tool you will want to use to build up your children in the Lord.

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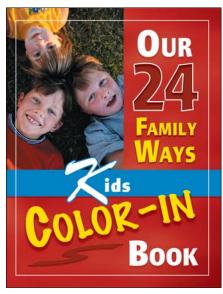
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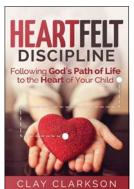
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#### Heartfelt Discipline

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This book will put your heart and your child on the right path. What God's Word really says about training your children.