I AM A GRANDPARENT

INTRODUCTION - (2 Tim. 1:5)

1. VIEW GRANDPARENTING AS A "CROWN"

(Prov. 17:6) "Children's children are the crown of old men"
(Prov. 16:31) "The hoary head is a crown of glory ..."
(Prov. 20:29) "The glory of young men is their strength:

and the beauty of old men is their grey head"

(Job 32:7) "I said, Days should speak, and multitudes of years should teach wisdom"

2. KEEP FLOURISHING

(Psalm 92:13-14) "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing; to show that the Lord is upright ... "Caleb, 85 years old, (Joshua 14:10-14) "... I shall be able ... "

3. LEAVE AN INHERITANCE

(Prov. 13:22) "A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children ... "
(2 Tim. 1:5) "... faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois ... "

4. BE A "GRANDPARENT"

In today's society, both parents work, and society provides day care, boys and girls club, before and after school programs, etc.

As one has opportunity, fill in the gaps.

(Titus 2:3) "the aged women likewise ... teachers of good things. That they teach the young women to be ... ""I saw tomorrow look at me, from little children's eyes, and thought how carefully we would teach, if we were truly wise."Make "going to grandma's house" a special treat.

5. AGAIN, TEACH THE GRANDCHILDREN

(Gen. 18:19) "... he will command his children and his household after him ... "
(Gen. 50:23) "Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up on Joseph's knees"
(Ex. 10:2) "... that thou may tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son ... "

6. MAINTAIN THE "BEAUTY OF HOLINESS" - (Psalm 29:2 and 96:9)