

Closing the door on Satan: Defending the Family
2 Timothy 1:5
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Thesis: I want to show how we can close the door to Satan in order to Defend our Families.

Intro: 1.
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I. Defending the family from immodesty, the pressures involved with school events and the ideas/beliefs of others.

- A. Certain School activities (**Pro 24:19b**)
 - 1. Immodest apparel of certain activities (**Pro 11:22**)
 - 2. Times of these events
- B. Ideas and beliefs of other families
 - 1. Ideas/beliefs of the parents of friends of our children
 - a. **2 Timothy 1:5**

II. Defending the family from ignorance (**Pro 24:6**)

- A. Opportunities to teach (not just at home)
 - 1. When shopping
 - 2. When dining out
- B. Prayer in private and public
 - 1. At home –before bed, before meals & family gatherings
 - 2. In public – at the services of the church, when eating out
 - **Deut 6:7**

III. Defending the family from Technology & Media

- A. Setting Limits (**Pro 23:13**)
 - 1. Location of media devices in the home.
 - 2. Amount of time
 - 3. Rating of the Media viewed or being heard.
 - a. Warnings of using social media
 - 1. Careful what you read – **Pro 26:8**
 - 2. Avoid the gossip – **Pro 29:22** (the angry and the furious may spread untruths or half-truths about others or a particular situation)
 - 3. Think before posting or commenting - **Pro 29:20**
- B. Purpose of such safe-guards (**Eph 4:27**)
 - 1. Limits the opportunities of lewd materials entering home
 - 2. Limits temptation
 - 3. Sets up good habits

Application & Conclusion:

- 1. We can defend our families from Satan and in doing so, once again close the door on Him.
- 2. Full Invitation