



**Sermon Outline**  
**May 12, 2024**  
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**Parenting Reality:**  
**Psalm 127:3-5a**  
**Deuteronomy 6:4-9**

### **The Privilege of Parenting:**

**Psalm 127:3-5a** - Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. 4 Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. 5 Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

**\* Amazingly, God entrusts each newly designed, one-of-a-kind masterpiece of His creation to a unique set of \_\_\_\_\_ parents.**

#### **The reality of the parenting privilege:**

There are no \_\_\_\_\_ parents,  
and no \_\_\_\_\_ children.

### **The Parenting Responsibility:**

**Deuteronomy 6:4-9** - Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 5 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6 These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

**1. Become the Christ follower \_\_\_\_\_ your children to become.**

*\* The sign of great parenting is not the child's behavior. The sign of truly great parenting is the parent's behavior.*

– **Andy Smithson**

**\* What you know and \_\_\_\_\_ can be two different things.**

**\* You teach what you know but you \_\_\_\_\_ what you are.**

*\* Your children will become who you are, so be who you want them to be. — David Bly*

**2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ about providing guided spiritual direction for your children.**

**Vs. 7** – Impress them (*commandments*) on your children.

**\* \_\_\_\_\_ is crucial.**

**James 1:22** - Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

**\* \_\_\_\_\_ is the motor of learning.**

*\* What gets repeated, and modeled the most often, the most often gets \_\_\_\_\_.*

*\* Your children need your presence more than your presents.*  
— **Jesse Jackson**

### **Faith-based Parenting Resources:**

**Habits of the Household: Practicing the Story of God in Everyday Family Rhythms** by Justin Whitmel Earley and Troy and Ruth Simons - *"Our best parenting comes when we think less about being parents of children and more about being children of God."*

**Parenting: Getting It Right** by Andy Stanley and Sandra Stanley

**The Dr. James Dobson Parenting Collection** by James C. Dobson

**Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family** by Paul David Tripp

**Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full: Gospel Meditations for Busy Moms (with Study Questions)** by Gloria Furman

**Digital Detox** by Molly DeFrank

**Rocking It Grand: 18 Ways to Be a Game-Changing Grandma** by Shellie Rushing Tomlinson and Chrys Howard

**The Power of a Praying Grandparent** by Stormie Omartian