



Sermon Outline
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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