

Parenting, the Highest Calling!

God wants moms and dads to be the True Heroes

Primary Questions:

How do we engage our children about what really matters?

How will you address your child's heart by your words and actions?

Primary Tools:

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Primary challenge: Love wisely.

I. Why wisdom?

- Our objectives must shift as our kids grow from infants to children to teenagers.
- What causes children to reject their parents' authority?
- Our culture is lost with respect to parenting; lost sense of direction and capacity.

II. Where shall we get this wisdom?

The Safe Guide to godly parenting is the Bible – the revelation of a God who has infinite knowledge and infinite love.

- This revelation is thick and deep; it is robust and complete.
- This revelation gives us an accurate and complete picture of children, parents, family life, values, training, nurture, and discipline – all the things you need for effective parenting.
- God's way has never been proven inadequate; just untried.

III. Parenting is multifaceted.

1. Be a kind authority.
2. Shepherd your children to understand themselves in God's world.
3. Keep the Gospel in clear view so your children can internalize the good news.

IV. Desired Outcome = people who live shoulder to shoulder with you as people, mature and complete under God, one with Christ.