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Raising Passionate Jesus Followers

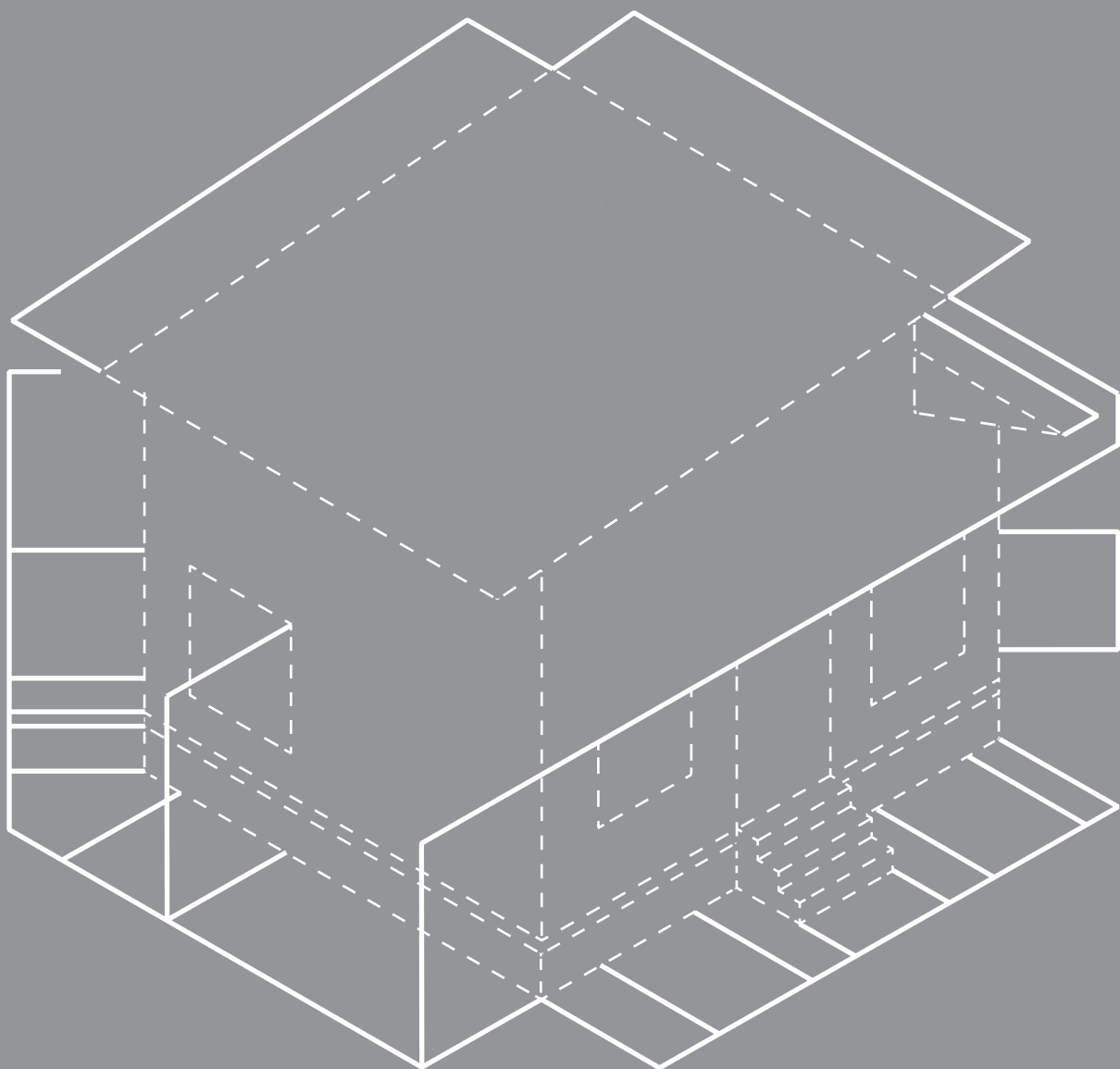


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Session One.

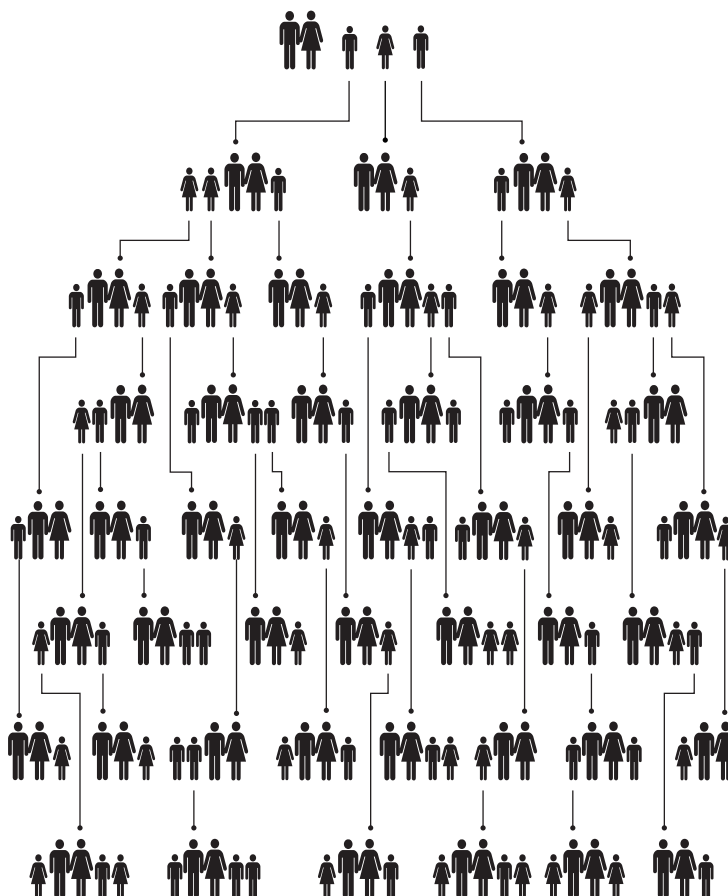
^ Formulating The Plan

Our Goal Together

To learn how to ignite a flame of _____ for God
in your child.

Everybody ends up _____, but
only a few get there on _____.

A Life of Significant Impact



What is your _____ for your family?

We didn't just want to raise _____ kids.
We wanted to raise _____ kids.



The Slippery Slope

And the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who survived Joshua, who had seen all the great work of the Lord which He had done for Israel...

...All that generation were gathered to their fathers; and there arose another generation after that who did not know the Lord, nor yet the work which he had done for Israel.

—Judges 2:7-13

- 1) The sons of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord...
- 2) They forsook the Lord, the God of their fathers who had brought them out of the land of Egypt.
- 3) They followed other gods from among the gods of the peoples who were around them. (12:42)

- First generation _____ God.
- Second generation _____ God, but doesn't experience Him.
- Third generation doesn't _____ God or _____ Him.

"70% of kids growing up in church leave the faith by college." "Only 35% ever return."

Top Priority

Once you've come to Jesus and have a child, your _____ is that your kids will not only know _____ God, but actually _____ Him.

I have no greater joy than this; to hear of my children walking in the truth.

—3 John 4

I am the light of the world. He who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

—John 8:12

Scripture:

- Colossians 1:27
- 1 Corinthians 6:19

Building a Spiritual House

*Unless the Lord builds the house, they
labor in vain who build it.*

—Psalm 127:1

Children are a gift from the Lord...

—Psalm 127:3

Christ in you, the hope of glory.

—Colossians 1:27

Old Albanian Proverb: "Raising a child is
like building a house"

The Great Shema

*Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the
Lord is one! And you shall love the Lord
your God with all your heart and with all
your soul and with all your might. And
these words, which I am commanding
you today, shall be on your heart. And
you shall teach them diligently to your
sons and shall talk of them when you sit
in your house and when you walk by the
way and when you lie down and when you
rise up. And you shall bind them as a sign
on your hand and they shall be as frontals
on your forehead. And you shall write
them on the doorposts of your house and
on your gates.*

—Deuteronomy 6:4-9



Loving God

Loving God with passion is something that has to:

- First happen in _____ heart.
- Then it must be _____ in your own _____.
- Then it must be intentionally _____ to your children.

Loving People

You shall love your neighbor as yourself
—Leviticus 19:18

This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.

—Matthew 22:38-40

Above All Else

There are really only two things you must instill in your kids above all else:

- Love God with _____.
- Love people on _____.

Scripture:

- Matthew 22:38-40
- Matthew 7:12
- 1 John 4:16-18

Parental Roles

My son, observe the commandment of your father and do not forsake the teaching of your mother. Bind them continually on your heart. Tie them around your neck. When you walk about, they will guide you. When you sleep, they will watch over you. And when you awake, they will talk to you. For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life.

—Proverbs 6:20-23

The Lamp And The Light

Scripture:

- John 8:12
- Psalm 119:105
- Numbers 4:9, 16
- Hebrews 12:10
- James 1:5
- Numbers 8:2

- The father, along with the mother _____ the vision.
- The mother _____ the vision.
- The father _____ with _____.
- The mother and father together _____.



Goals

vs.

Values

Goal: The end toward which effort is directed. The terminal point of a race.

Value: Something that is very important to you.

Your focus should be on one goal:

To raise sons and daughters who _____
_____ to become _____
_____.

You want your children to be with you for
all _____.

*Well done, good and faithful servant...
enter into the joy of your Master.*

—Matthew 25:21

In order to attain that one goal, you need
to take a _____ and
_____ look at your values.

Are they _____ or
_____ you in achieving
your goal?

A value is something we are willing to
make _____ for, significant
sacrifices even, in order to _____ in
our children's lives.

Not _____, just _____.

What Are Your Top Five Values?

Circle the five that describe you best:

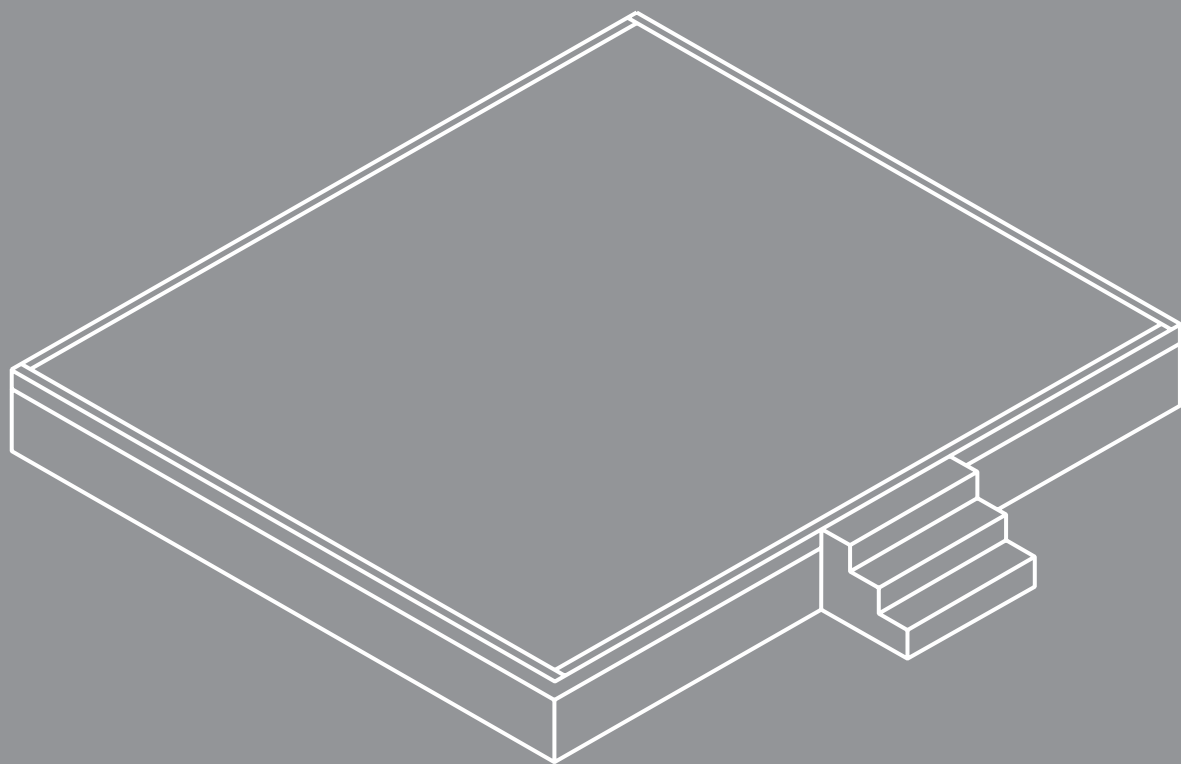
Fun
Neat
Well-mannered
Respectful
Healthy Eating
Hard-working
Resourceful
Personal Hygiene
Independent
Optimistic
Athletic
Protective
Cleanliness
Kindness
Honesty
Education
Exercise
Tolerant
Grateful / Thankful

Peacemaking
Successful
Generous
Compassionate
Organized
Friendly
Respect for Authority
Provider
Nurturing
Love Animals
Good Family
Communication
Resolving Conflict
Love of the Word
Boldness
Confident / Leader
Sense of Humor
Hunting
Vegetarian / Vegan

Fashionable
Appreciation of Cultures
Justice
Purity
Safety
Spontaneous
Punctuality
Hospitable
Forgiving
Environmentally Conscious
Family
Music
Politics
Good Coffee
Adventurous
Others:



End of Session #1, Formulating the Plan



Session Two.



The
Foundation
Part One

The Foundation:

Part One

Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

—Matthew 7:24-25

The foundational years are approximately _____ to _____.

These are _____, not _____.

The primary thing you want to see developed in your child is a heart of _____.

A Heart Of Obedience

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise—"so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

—Ephesians 6:1-3

Before you can teach your children the _____ of the Lord, you need to create in them a _____ that is _____ or it will fall on _____.

Scripture:

- Proverbs 23:23
- James 1:5

*My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your **heart** keep my commandments; For length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.*

—Proverbs 3:1-2



a man after my heart...who will do all my will.

—Acts 13:22

When you teach your child to obey you, you give him
an _____ to obey
God.

*Discipline your children while there is hope.
Otherwise you will ruin their lives.*

—Proverbs 19:18

This early time in the home is like _____
_____.

Need insight?

- Look for parents whose kids you admire. Buy them a cup of coffee and ask them a bunch of questions. Take notes!
- Look through the Scriptures and search for wisdom!

*Buy truth, and do not sell it. Get wisdom, and
instruction and understanding.*

—Proverbs 23:23

Find the right _____, ask the right _____.

Keep searching the _____ and praying for
_____: "Lord, show us what to do!"

Tools For Discipline

Scripture:

- Acts 13:22
- Hebrews 12:11

*Preach the word; be ready in season and out of
season; correct, rebuke, and encourage with great
patience and instruction.*

—2 Timothy 4:2

Tool One:

Correction

Correction (to reprimand, show fault, expose, or convict)

And He (the Holy Spirit), when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment.

—John 16:8

Four mistakes parents often make:

- _____ their bad behavior.
- Saying they'll _____ of it.
- _____ for it.
- _____ your voice when they are _____.

Ten Year Rule

Ask yourself: What will this behavior or attitude _____ in the next ten years?

Those whom I love, I reprove (or correct).

—Revelation 3:19

Correct your son, and he will give you comfort; He will also delight your soul.

—Proverbs 29:17

Scripture:

- Psalm 141:5
- Proverbs 9:8-9



Tool Two:

Rebuke

Rebuke (to warn, sternly tell, or admonish strongly)

Better is open rebuke than love that is concealed. Faithful are the wounds of a friend...

—Proverbs 27:5-6

For the anger of a man does not achieve the righteousness of God

—James 1:20

A rebuke is simply a chance for your child to _____ and _____ about their behavior or attitude and _____ if they can on their own.

Tool Three:

Encouragement

Encouragement (to aid, to comfort, or to give courage)

To encourage is to _____
_____ your child in order to help.

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

—John 14:26

Encouraging your kids includes telling them “_____” when they do what is _____.

For every _____ there ought to be ten “_____.”

You can actually make your willful child want to obey you by using the tool of _____.

I had to learn a _____:
the language of _____.

Encouraging your child is verbally _____ them for who they are, for the _____ they make, for their godly _____ and their successes in _____ situations.

Scripture:

- Hebrews 3:13
- Hebrews 10:25
- 1 Samuel 23:16
- 1 Thessalonians 5:12
- 2 Corinthians 1:3-4



Your child will _____ who
you tell them you _____
becoming.

*But you, be strong and do not lose
courage, for there is reward for your
work.*

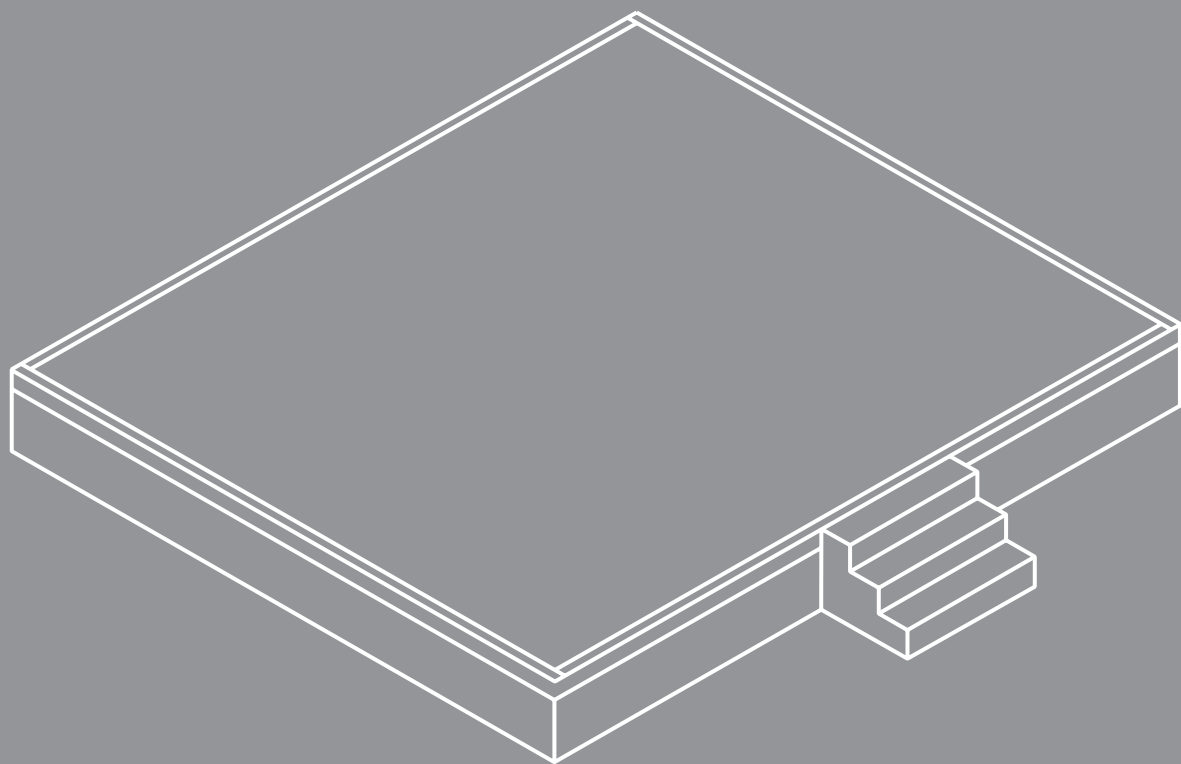
—2 Chronicles 15:7

QUESTION:

Which of these tools is the Lord leading
you to focus on and what kind of changes
is He leading you to make, as you seek
to raise children who possess a heart of
obedience, who grow up to follow the
way of Jesus?

End of Session #2, The Foundation, Part One





Session Three.



The
Foundation
Part Two

The Foundation:

Part Two

Tool Four:

Patient

Instruction

Scripture:

- 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Hebrews 5:14

correct, rebuke, and encourage with great _____ and _____.

—2 Timothy 4:2

Instruction (to actively teach...It's when we say, "not that way, this way.")

It is when you take a _____ behavior you're seeing and you patiently use that to teach your child how he _____ have and _____ have _____.

As you take time, day after day to patiently instruct your kids, you're actually _____ them.

You are training them for the purpose of _____.

For bodily discipline is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, since it holds promise for this present life and also for the life to come.

—1 Timothy 4:8

Training = to teach a particular skill or type of behavior through practice and instruction over a period of time.

Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it.

—Proverbs 22:6



Tool Five:

The Rod of Correction

Spanking is not a biblical word, but it is definitely a biblical _____.

Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; the rod of discipline will remove it far from him.

—Proverbs 22:15

Do not withhold discipline from a child, if you punish them with the rod, they will not die. You shall punish them with the rod and save them from death.

—Proverbs 23:13-14

My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor faint when you are reprov'd by Him; for those whom the Lord loves he disciplines, and he scourges every son whom he receives... God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? But if you are without discipline... then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them... For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness. All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

—Hebrews 12:5-11

Scripture:

- Proverbs 29:15
- Proverbs 13:24

Spanking must be handled _____,
and _____, in some cases
_____ and in other cases
_____.

What Not To Do

- NEVER IN _____!▶

*Do not spank when you are angry-
ever! Either wait until you are fully
in control of your emotions or just
drop it.*

- NEVER IN _____!▶

*Do not spank in public. Spanking is
a private confrontation between you
and your child.*

- NEVER WITH YOUR _____!▶

*Do not use your hand. Your hands
are for loving and welcoming and
soothing your child. You do not
want them to cringe when you raise
your hand. Using a designated
object for spanking allows you time
to assess your judgment while you
are retrieving it.*

- NEVER _____!▶

*Do not threaten to spank. This is not
the same as spanking- it's a way of
using manipulation and escalating
anger in order to control your child's
behavior.*

- NEVER _____!▶

*It needs to sting, but should never
leave a mark.*



When it might be appropriate:

- _____ disobedience.

Spanking for defiant disobedience is NOT the same as spanking for _____ or _____.

Keep in mind _____ obedience is _____.

- _____
- _____ (_____)

The Process

Scripture:

- Psalm 23:4
- Proverbs 26:4
- 1 Corinthians 15:58

- _____ if this is the _____ disciplinary tool for this situation.
- _____ your child _____ you must spank them in clear terms.
- _____ them to tell you why they _____ a spanking.
- Spank them in a _____ controlled atmosphere of _____.
- _____ with physical and verbal _____.
- _____ with them.
- Never _____ again.

Discipline

vs.

Punishment

Remember, Our Father disciplines us out of His _____ with us. We are to discipline our own kids out of our _____, _____ with them.

Do not answer a fool according to his folly, lest you also be like him.

—Proverbs 26:4

Godly _____ is different than _____.

Punishment is characterized by _____ and _____.

Godly discipline is _____ and _____. It is _____ and _____ self-control and obedience.

Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

—Psalm 23:4

Godly discipline brings a sense of _____ and _____ to your child.

Be

Consistent

Your child thinks in _____ and _____. For a willful child especially, one failure to

_____ can lead to _____ to see if you mean it.

The

80%

Rule

If you are _____ your child 80% of the time you're doing great!

Remember, you are aiming to influence the _____, not create _____.

A righteous man falls seven times, and rises again.

—Proverbs 24:16



A Heart of Self-Control

Obedience has to do with _____.
Self-control has to do with _____.

Self-control is actually a _____ of
the _____.

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, **self-control**; against such things there is no law.*

—Galatians 5:22-23

If we're going to raise passionate Jesus followers, self-control is an area we _____
_____ to train our children in.

Your aim in teaching your children self-control is to _____ them to _____ into a man or a woman who is in _____ of their _____.

A fool gives vent to his anger, but a wise man keeps himself under control.

—Proverbs 29:11

Until your child can learn to _____
_____, you will need to be
his _____-_____.

The key we have found is _____ things
_____ so that you will be able to discipline
_____.

We need to be willing to pay a price higher than others are willing to pay...Fatigue is the price of leadership...The world is run by tired men. —J. Oswald Sanders

Scripture:

- Titus 1:8
- Proverbs 19:18-19
- Proverbs 25:28

Checklist: The Foundation

- ☐ Obeys commands when given.
- ☐ Exhibits self-control.
- ☐ Ceased melt-down temper tantrums
- ☐ Accepts "No" as a final answer.
- ☐ Grasps the idea that he can control his attitude.
- ☐ Responds enthusiastically to stories about Jesus and Bible heros.
- ☐ Memorizing Scripture.
- ☐ Prays authentically.

Things We Are Glad We Did

- Used the rod when necessary in a loving way.
- Didn't accept temper tantrums as the norm.
- Led our children to faith in Jesus.
- Gave our children lots of affection.
- Taught our children that they can choose to be happy.

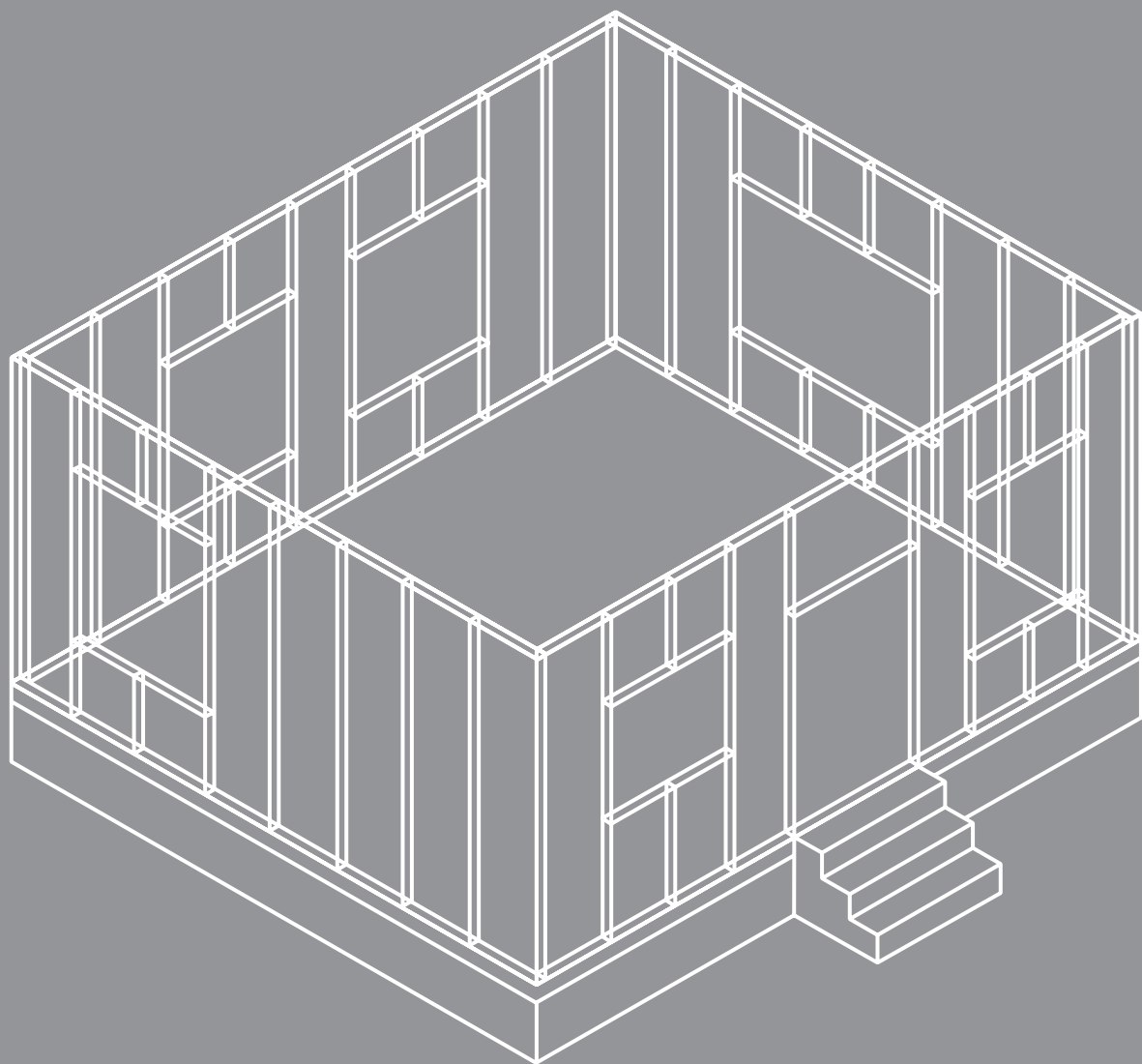
Things We Wish We Had Done

- Started with a clearer plan of how to discipline.
- We wish we'd understood the tools of discipline.
- I (Diane) wish I'd been less busy.
- I (Phil) wish I'd done a better job of being fully present when home, leaving the stresses of work behind.



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End of Session #3, The Foundation, Part Two



Session Four.



The
Framing
Part One

The Framing: Part One

Do Not Provoke Your Children to Anger

By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.

—Proverbs 24:3-4

All the hard work you did during the _____ years now begins to _____.

In this stage, you want to help your child develop a heart of _____.

*My son, if your heart is wise, my own heart
also will be glad; and my inmost being will
rejoice when your lips speak what is right.*

—Proverbs 23:15-16

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Do Not Provoke Your Children To Anger

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

—Ephesians 6:4

Provoke: An ongoing pattern or treatment that gradually builds up a deep-seated resentment that finally boils over.

Fathers, don't be hard on them or harass them; lest they become discouraged...and feel inferior and frustrated; do not break their spirit.

—Colossians 3:21 (AMP)

Five ways parents provoke their children:

1. With your _____ – by _____
_____ or _____ to them.
2. By _____ them.
3. By _____ them.
4. By _____ them beyond
what they are _____
of _____.
5. By _____ them.

Scripture:

- Proverbs 12:18
- Proverbs 18:21

Bring Them Up In The Discipline And Instruction Of The Lord

Bring them up: To nurture to maturity.

Discipline: Refers to the _____
_____ of children and includes
_____.

Instruction: A "putting in the mind". It has to
do not only with _____ but with right
_____ and _____
and includes _____.

"Of the Lord": A life _____ on God.

*Walk as children of light...trying to learn
what is pleasing to the Lord.*

—Ephesians 5:8, 10

_____ in a way, _____ in a
way, and _____ in a way
that is _____ to the Lord.

Scripture:

- Ephesians 5:29



All Wisdom Comes From God

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

—Proverbs 9:10

The more my children _____
God and His _____, the _____
they will become.

What is wisdom?

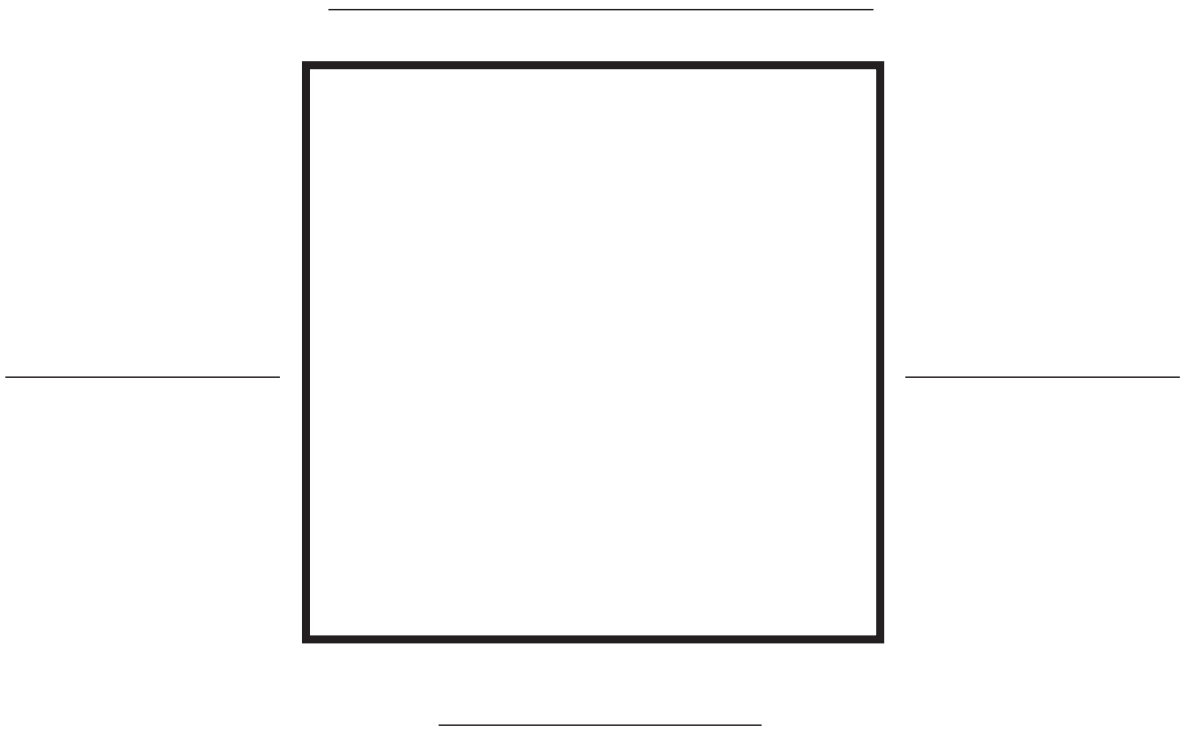
Wisdom is living life _____.

Scripture:

- Proverbs 9:9

The Box

The box is a frame that we intentionally build around our children's lives in order to offer a place of joyful security in which they can thrive and grow into all God wants them to be.



Continued Growth

And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

—Luke 2:52

Three areas in which Jesus continued to grow:

- _____
(Growing in wisdom).
- _____
(Favor with men).
- _____
(Favor with God).

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Character Development (Growing in Wisdom)

Wisdom: Skill in the _____
_____ of life including _____
_____ and sound _____.

Four areas of focus. Train your child to:

1. _____ his spirit consistently.

He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city.

—Proverbs 16:32

Anger is a _____.

My _____ is my _____.

Anger can usually be boiled down to three underlying causes:

- _____
- _____
- _____

In your anger do not sin: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.

—Ephesians 4:26-27

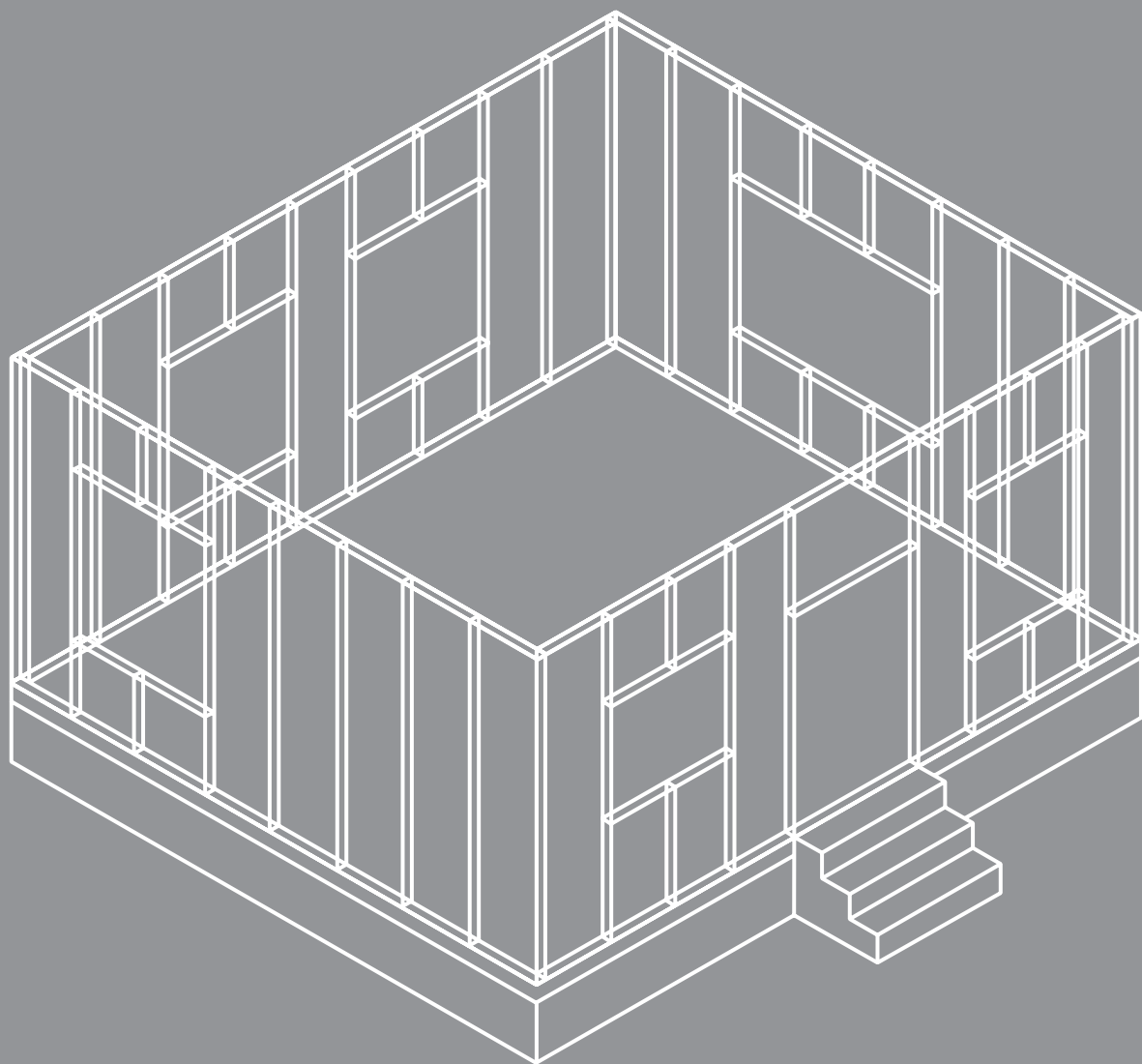
Scripture:

- Proverbs 22:24-25
- Ephesians 4:29-31
- Genesis 33:12-14



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End of Session #4, The Framing, Part One



Session Five.



The
Framing
Part Two

The Framing:

Part Two

Session 5

Character Development (Growing in Wisdom) continued

2. _____ themselves wisely.

Even small children are known by the way they act, whether their conduct is pure and whether it is upright.

—Proverbs 20:11

3. Walk in _____.

A righteous man who walks in his integrity – how blessed are his sons after him.

—Proverbs 20:7

Integrity has to do with who you _____ as a _____, as well as what you _____ or _____ do.

Integrity means “I will do the _____ thing, whatever it _____ me.”

Integrity must be _____ in your own life and then _____ to your children.

A parent’s _____ is a child’s _____.

Scripture:

- Proverbs 22:1
- Proverbs 22:15
- Psalm 101:2-3
- Job 27:5



4. Work _____.

I have brought You glory on the earth by finishing the work You gave Me to do.

—John 17:4

Do your work heartily as for the Lord rather than for men... It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.

—Colossians 3:23-24

Teach your kids to _____ the _____ mile.

So you too, when you do all the things which are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have done only that which we ought to have done'.

—Luke 17:10

Scripture:

- Ephesians 2:10



Relationship Building (Favor with Men)

Parents, it's up you to teach your kids to
_____ on _____.

*For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping
this one command: "Love your neighbor
as yourself".*

—Galatians 5:14

The home is the primary _____
_____ for relationships.

Scripture:

- Leviticus 19:18
- Luke 4:22
- Philippians 2:3-4



Spiritual Training (Favor with God)

Three things to aim for:

1. Fall in love with _____.
2. Love the _____.
3. Love God's _____.

Three things to focus on:

1. _____ Bible times.

Bible time should happen _____
but you don't have to do it _____!

The _____ of
children is both the _____ and the
_____ responsibility.

Husbands, what your wife needs from you
more than anything else is _____.

2. _____ memory.

*Your word I have treasured in my heart,
that I may not sin against you.*

—Psalm 119:11

Scripture:

- Matthew 4:4
- 2 Timothy 3:15, 16
- 2 Timothy 1:5

3. The _____

Set aside _____ to _____ for
the _____.

Talk to your children _____ about
the Lord; _____ for and _____
for _____ to lead them to
_____ Jesus as Savior and Lord.

*For as many as received Him, to them
He gave the right to become children of
God...*

—John 1:12

4/14 Window: Children are most open to
_____ between the _____
of four and fourteen.

Scripture:

- Hebrews 10:25
- Romans 7:15–8:1



Checklist: The Framing

- ☐ Understands the Gospel.
- ☐ Has received Christ as Savior and King.
- ☐ Understands and has considered baptism.
- ☐ Reads his Bible in the morning on his own and feels fed by it.
- ☐ Memorizes Scripture with the family regularly.
- ☐ Emerging work ethic.
- ☐ Exhibits honesty and integrity.
- ☐ Treats people graciously.
- ☐ Accepts “no” without backtalk or meltdown.
- ☐ Temper tantrums eradicated.

Things We Are Glad We Did

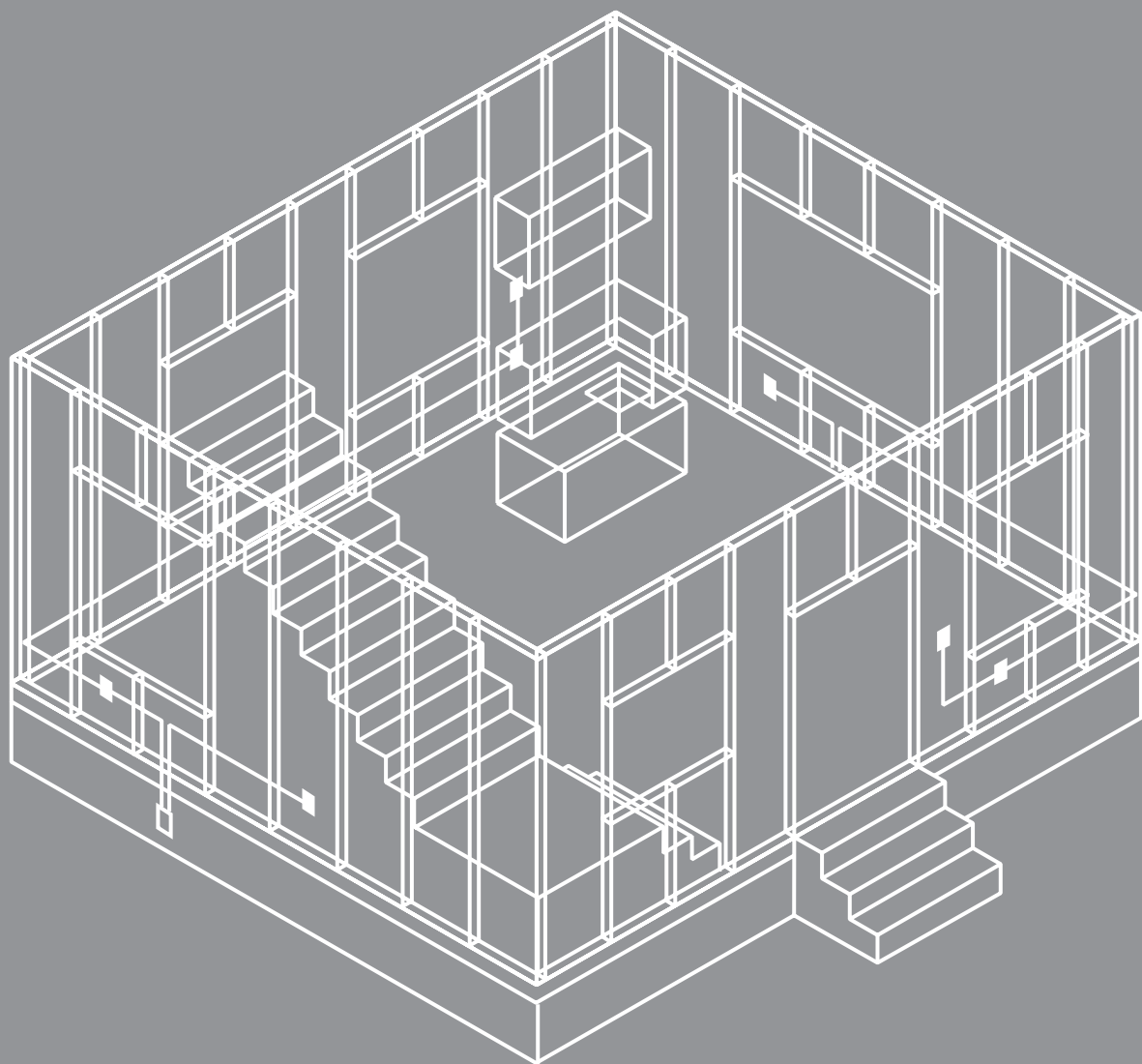
- Encouraged our children to read their Bibles first thing every morning.
- Involved our children in ministry with us beginning at a young age.
- Taught them that if they want something they have to work for it.
- Emphasized the importance of honesty.
- Were in a church that was great for children.

Things We Wish We Had Done

- Memorized more Scripture as a family.
- Been more missional as a family.
- Understood the importance of accepting social trends (ie. fashions, cultural interests) for our children’s social confidence.

End of Session #5, The Framing, Part Two





Session Six.

^ The
Functional
Systems:
Part One

The Functional Systems

Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude.

—Colossians 2:6-7

“During the teenage years your goal is to see your son or daughter develop a heart of _____. You want to see their faith become their own.



Four Things You Will Need

1. _____: To stand against the tide

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

—Joshua 1:9

2. _____: To keep the training going.

Solid food is for those who are mature, who through training have the skill to recognize the difference between right and wrong.

—Hebrews 5:14

3. _____: To keep your family close.

Four Ways to Keep Your Family Close:

- Family _____
- _____ together
- _____ when your teenager _____
_____. Make your _____
_____ the place where their _____
want to _____.

Scripture:

- John 16:33
- Psalm 27:14
- 2 Chronicles 15:7
- 1 Corinthians 15:33
- Proverbs 2:6, 9
- Proverbs 13:20
- 2 Peter 3:17-18b
- James 1:5

4. _____: To navigate through this season.

Lord, we don't know what to do, but our eyes are on You.

—2 Chronicles 20:12

For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding...you will discern...Every good course.

—2 Chronicles 20:12

Three Things Your Teenager Will Need

1. To _____ what they're good at.

Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will stand before kings; He will not stand before obscure men.

—Proverbs 22:29

2. To _____ their purity.

So above all, guard the affections of your heart, for they affect all that you are.

—Proverbs 4:23

- _____ to them.
- _____ them.

For this is the will of God, your sanctification, that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality.

—1 Thessalonians 4:3

- _____ them.

3. _____!

- Your _____.
(Cultivate _____ together.)
- Your _____.

Scripture:

- Proverbs 22:6
- Psalm 139:14
- 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8



Checklist: The Functional Systems

- ☐ Understands how to deal with temptation (biblically and practically).
- ☐ Established a personal commitment to purity.
- ☐ Know what he/she is good at.
- ☐ Is hard working.
- ☐ Is involved in ministry.
- ☐ Loves hanging out with their family.
- ☐ Consistent personal time with God in the Scriptures and prayer.
- ☐ Chooses friends wisely.

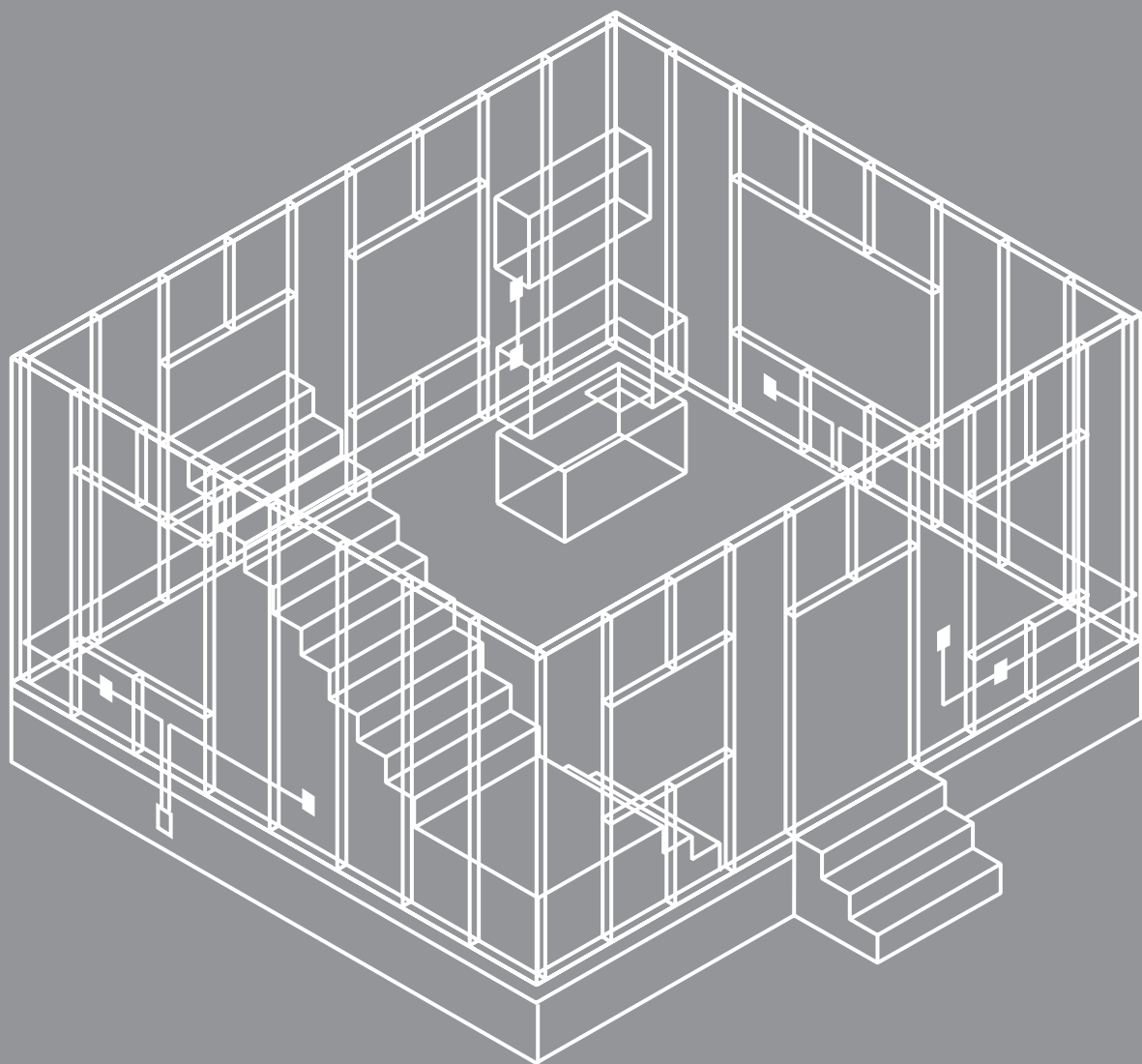
Things We Are Glad We Did

- Stayed involved in guiding our children's music choices.
- Opened our home to their friends.
- Chose not to have access to cable television in our home.
- Kept taking family vacations.
- Ate dinner together nearly every night.
- Stayed involved in their dating.

Things We Wish We Had Done

- Better understood the culture our teenagers were involved in.
- Taken more time to discuss their music preferences, by asking questions rather than issuing edicts.
- Been more inviting and less prone to lowering the boom.
- I (Phil) wish I'd spent a lot more time discipling my teenagers.
- I (Diane) wish I'd taught my daughters to be inviting in their relationships with young men.

End of Session #6, The Functional Systems, Part One



Session Seven.

^ The
Functional
Systems:
Part Two

Three Secrets to Discipline During the Teenage Years

The Box Revisited

1. We Switched Roles

With God's help, become a compelling leader at this stage of your child's life.

Firm _____ + Generous _____ =
Peace and Harmony in your home.

Do not be deceived, bad company corrupts good morals

—1 Corinthians 15:33

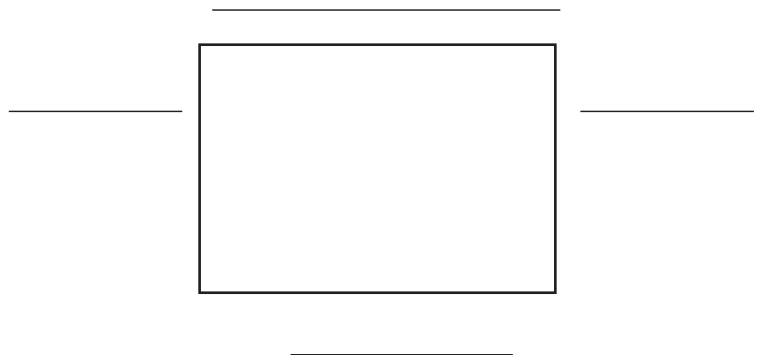
He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.

—Proverbs 13:20

Be on your guard lest, being carried away by the error of unprincipled men, you fall from your own steadfastness but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

—2 Peter 3:17-18a

2. The Box



In the teenage years, there will be times when you have to tighten The Box.



3. Teach your teenager the process and power of appeal.

- The freedom to question your authority.
- The need to be heard

With God's help, you can _____ the inevitable _____ rather than _____ it.

- An Appeal: a way of respectfully negotiating a change to an authority's decision.

In our homes, an appeal is a way of _____ both the parents and the teenager, by _____ a decision with new information or a different approach.

To your teenager, an appeal is a legitimate means of being _____ and _____: a platform for the peaceable working out of _____ between parent and child.

Never speak harshly to an older man, but appeal to him respectfully as though he were your own father.

—1 Timothy 5:1

Appeal: to call on someone for help or to invite someone to do something.

If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.

—Mark 3:25

Sit down together, shoulder to shoulder, and ask: "What's going on?"

JESUS: Bring Jesus into the conversation. "What does Jesus want?"

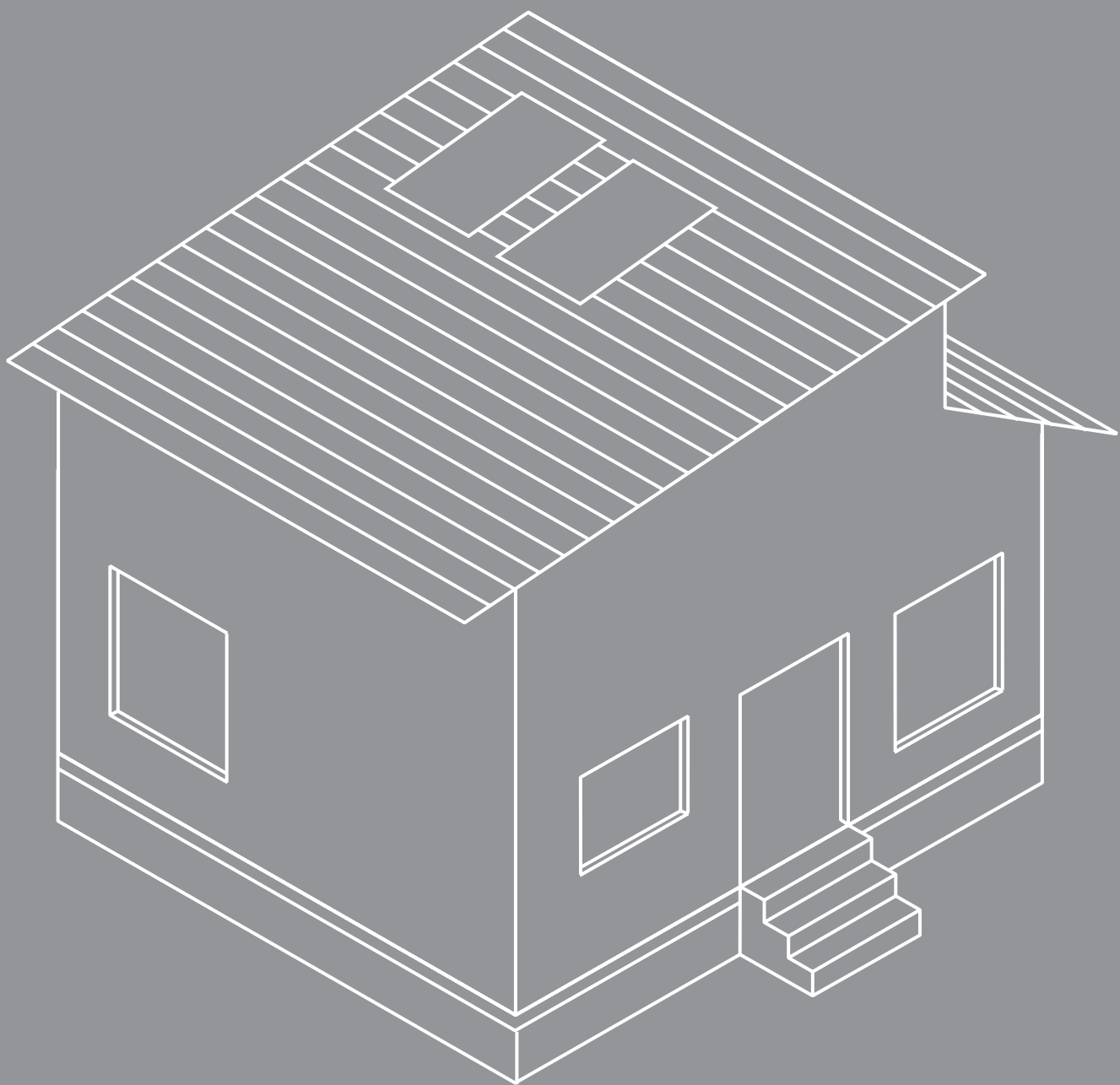
DISCIPLINE: involves reasonable restrictions temporarily imposed. Not punishment!

ORDER: Time Management

AFFECTION, AFFIRMATION & FUN: don't eliminate fun!

End of Session #7, The Functional Systems, Part Two





Session Eight.



The
Finish
Work

The Finish Work

Thus Solomon finished the house of the Lord and the king's palace, and successfully completed all that he had planned on doing in the house of the Lord and in his palace.

—2 Chronicles 7:11

In this stage, you want to help your young adult children develop a heart of _____.

Deliver us! Then our homes will be happy. Our sons will grow up as strong, sturdy men and our daughters with graceful beauty, royally fashioned as for a palace.

—Psalm 144:12

Don't _____ too _____.

_____ what you started.

I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.

—John 17:4

Scripture:

- Exodus 40:33
- 2 Timothy 4:7
- 2 Corinthians 8:11



The Box Revisited

The box is _____ ,
but the _____ has _____
dramatically.



*For I am confident of this very thing, that
He who began a good work in you will
carry it on to completion until the day of
Christ Jesus.*

—Philippians 1:6

Remember... Don't _____.

"Give your kids your approval for all the
things they're doing right."

Goals

vs.

Values

Your goal is still the _____, that your _____ will grow up to _____ the Lord their God with all their heart, soul, mind and strength.

If they sense disapproval from you, they will back away.

Don't _____ your relationship with your kids in this stage by _____ that they adhere to _____ particular values.

Your highest priority is to raise kids who don't just _____ a faith, but actually _____ a real faith; kids who love God with passion and people on purpose.



Ten Things You Want To See In Your Children

1. Know how to

_____.

*Finally, be strong in the Lord,
and in the strength of His might.
Put on the full armor of God,
that you may be able to stand
firm against the schemes of the
devil... having done everything,
to stand firm.*

—Ephesians 6:10, 13

2. Know how to stay

_____.

3. Know how to _____
a husband or wife.

Scripture:

- 1 Thessalonians 4:3
- Matthew 6:19-22
- 1 Corinthians 4:1-2
- 2 Corinthians 9:6-11
- Matthew 6:24
- John 16:33
- 1 Peter 2:21-24
- 1 Peter 4:1-2

4. Know how to handle _____.

5. Developed a consistent time with God in
the _____, morning by morning.

6. Know the scriptures well enough to find
_____ for life's challenges.

7. How to live _____.

8. Love the _____.

9. Learning to _____ to God.

Psalms 25:4-5 on screen

Isaiah 30:20-21 on screen

10. A biblical _____ of _____.

It is up to us, as parents, to teach our children
a strong, scriptural theology of suffering.

(God) dwells in unapproachable light. —1
Timothy 6:16

*In this world you will have tribulation, but
take courage; I have overcome the world.*

—John 16:33

*That I may know Him and the power of
His resurrection and the fellowship of His
sufferings.*

—Philippians 3:10

What is Your List of Ten Things?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____



Checklist: The Finish Work

- ☐ Ability to stand alone.
- ☐ Consistently protects their own sexual purity.
- ☐ Understands how to choose a husband or wife.
- ☐ Is thoughtfully and wisely developing his/her own set of values.
- ☐ Thoroughly understands a biblical theology of suffering.
- ☐ Knows how to handle money.
- ☐ Has a consistent time with God in the Scriptures & in prayer.
- ☐ Knows the Scriptures well enough to find wisdom for life's issues.
- ☐ Lives missionally.
- ☐ Loves the Church.
- ☐ Knows how to find comfort in God.

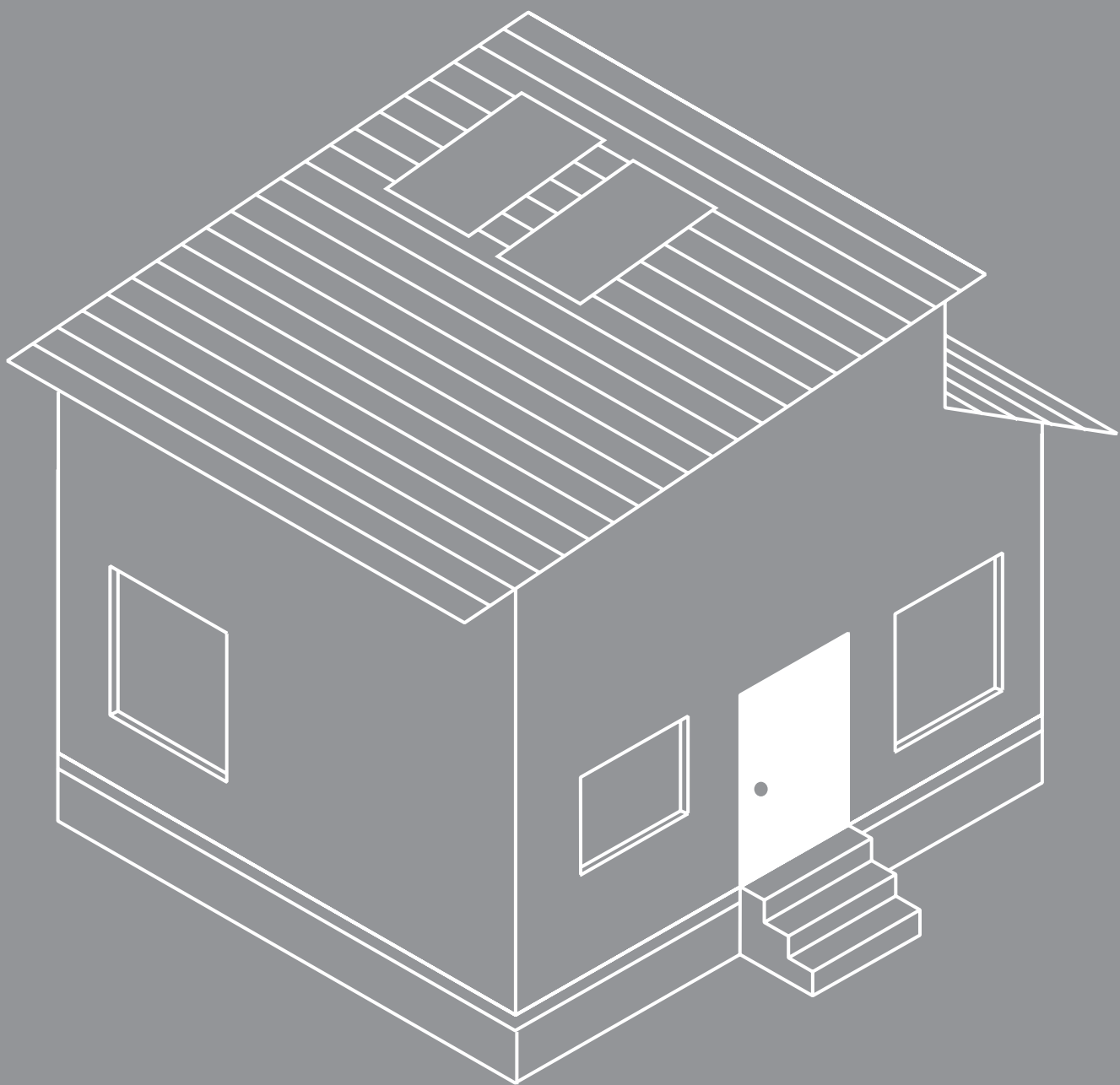
Things We Are Glad We Did

- Stayed involved in helping our children find their spouses.
- Encouraged our children to be willing to stand alone.
- Talked to our sons and daughters about sexuality.
- The children saw me (Diane) suffer and find comfort and joy.
- Were at Solid Rock during these important years.
- Got to serve Jesus with our kids during these years.

Things We Wish We Had Done

- Found a way to set aside more money for their education.
- Found a way to keep them involved in family vacations at this stage.
- Prayed more for our kids during their early adult years.

End of Session #8, The Finish Work



Session Nine.



The
Front
Door

Three Key Elements: The Blessing, The Box, and The Key

1. The _____

Bless your kids by _____ for them.

Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you; but I will instruct you in the good and right way.

—1 Samuel 12:23

Praying For Your Children

I will put a desire in their hearts to worship Me, and they will never leave.

—Jeremiah 32:40

I created you and have cared for you since before you were born. I will be your God throughout your lifetime- until your hair is white with age. I made you and I will care for you. I will carry you along and save you.

—Isaiah 46:3-4



Prayer is like _____ the _____ of protection on over your kids.

Pray _____ them and pray _____ them.



Then the Lord appeared to Solomon at night and said to him, "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice."

—2 Chronicles 7:12

In addition to God's _____ toward our children, the _____ _____
_____ for our children have great impact.

"It's a great thing to talk to men about God. It's greater still to talk to God about men."

—E.M. Bounds

Bless your kids by _____ in them.

_____ not to _____.

You can earn their respect by _____
instead of _____ and by
_____ instead of _____.

Give your _____ when they _____
you for it.

Scripture:

- Jeremiah 32:40
- 1 Thessalonians 5:17

2. The _____

You are no longer over them. You are now alongside them.

The box is now _____ but the
_____ remains.



3. The _____

It's time to _____ the key.

_____ house is not _____ house.

For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

—Genesis 2:24

O my people, listen to my instructions. Open your ears to what I am saying... I will teach you hidden lessons from our past—stories we have heard and known, stories our ancestors handed down to us. We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord, about his power and his mighty wonders...He commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children, so the next generation might know them—even the children not yet born—and they in turn will teach their own children. So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting his glorious miracles and obeying his commands.

—Psalm 78:1-7

Scripture:

- Numbers 15:37-40
- 1 Kings 19:18
- Psalm 16:6
- Isaiah 44:1-5
- Psalm 115:14-15

Your children are your _____.

The _____ thing you will ever do is raise your children to follow the way of Jesus!

Will you dedicate yourself before the Lord to fulfill your God-given role to train your children to follow Jesus?



—Malachi 4:5-6

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Spiritual passion
Somewhere; Purpose
Dream
Good; Godly

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Know; Experience
Top priority; About; Experience

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Modeled; Home
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Purpose

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Carries out
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Eternity
Close; Continual
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Bring it up

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Skillfully

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Affection, Affirmation & Fun

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