

SERMON NOTES (Audio, video, & sermon notes are online at HBChurch.net)



Series: The Parent Trap
Sermon: **Faith**

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Parenting doesn't work well when you are immature and _____.

Parenting is being a mature, wise, loving, active teacher, an influencer and example to the next generation.

CONSIDER WHAT

CHRISTIANITY CONTENDS:

- a) God created us to have a _____ with Him.
- b) We have _____ God and His love.
- c) God's Has _____ Us.
- d) Jesus is _____ and _____. He lived, died, and rose again for us.
- e) Following Jesus is the _____ to have a blessed life and eternal life.

Deuteronomy 6:5 - Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. ⁶These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. ⁷Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them be a symbol on your forehead. ⁹Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates.

"WORLD RELIGIONS 101"

- ⇒ **Buddhism**
- ⇒ **Hinduism**
- ⇒ **Islam**
- ⇒ **New Ageism**
- ⇒ **Agnosticism**

The greatest gift any parent can give their child is _____ who promote God's worldview in everything they do. This becomes the most important investment and responsibility of all!

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS (Audio, video, & sermon notes are online at HBChurch.net)

To have the best discussions, please fill out these questions *before* arriving at your Life Group.
Remember: one of the best ways to grow spiritually is in relationship with other growing Christians.

1. SHARE PRAYER REQUESTS AND ANSWERED PRAYERS:

2. REVIEWING SUNDAY: What blessed you the most from Sunday's worship service and sermon? What was one big thing that you feel touched your heart and mind, blessed you, or challenged you?

3. DISCUSSING & APPLYING THE BIBLE:

a) One of the great myths among Christians is: A godly home guarantees godly kids. The truth of the matter is that we have no ultimate control over how our children turn out, but we do have tons of influence. Whether you have children or not, everybody has influence in someone's life. There are some things that can increase our influence and some things that can sabotage it. What are some specific actions and attitudes that make it more likely that those under our influence WON'T follow our advice? (List as many as you can think of.)

b) What would it look like for you to model each of the following Bible passages in such a way that those watching would be inclined to follow your example?

⇒ **Psalm 119:1-3; 9-11; 16**

⇒ **Matthew 5:13-16**

⇒ **Philippians 2:3-4**

⇒ **Colossians 3:13**

c) Part of having influence in a person's life is identifying and affirming their unique interests, gifts, and abilities. Never underestimate the power of affirmation and encouragement. Consider these two verses:

⇒ **Proverbs 3:27** - *Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it's in your power to help them.*

⇒ **Proverbs 15:30** - *A cheerful look brings joy to the heart; good news makes for good health.* (NLT)

Take a moment and write down 2-3 abilities or positive character qualities of your children (or the person that you are trying to influence, like a close friend).

- How do you currently communicate what you wrote above to them?
- List some ways that you can do a better job communicating your affirmation and appreciation in the near future?