

Raising Kids Who Keep Following Christ Ephesians 6:1-4

Ephesians 6:1-4 (NIV)

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" — which is the first commandment with a promise — "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

1. Start training your children today!

Proverbs 22:6 (NASB)

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

Proverbs 19:18 (RSV)

Discipline your son while there is hope, and do not set your heart on his destruction.

2. Be consistent in your Personal Walk with Christ.

3. Pray for your children and with your children.

Colossians 1:9-12 (NIV)

"We have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light."

4. Make the Bible the most important book in your home.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 (NIV)

These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. 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.



5. Be a Model of Faith in the Promises of God.

Hebrews 10:23 (ESV)

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

The Message: Let's keep a firm grip on the promises that keep us going. He always keeps his word.

6. Be faithful together to the Lord's Church.