

Better Together Raising Children - Week One

“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

Two very important aspects when it comes to raising children:

1. _____.

2. _____.

In the early years we develop our children by:

1. _____.

“Fathers... bring up your children in the training and instruction of the Lord.” – Ephesians 6:4

“You must love him with all your heart, soul and mind and you must think constantly about these commandments I’m giving you today. You must teach them to your children and talk about them when you are at home, out for a walk, at bedtime and first thing in the morning.” – Deut. 6:5-7 NIV

In the early years we develop our children by:

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“Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding.” – Proverbs 9:10

“Everything else is worthless compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.” – Philippians 3:8

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“You must teach your children and talk about them when you’re at home, out for a walk, at bedtime and first thing in the morning.” – Deuteronomy 6:7

2. _____.

“Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.” – Proverbs 4:23

“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.” – Philippians 4:8

Practical ways to protect the heart and innocence of young children:

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“Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for their children it will be a refuge.” – Proverbs 14:26

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3. _____.

“Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it.” – Proverbs 22:6 NAS

“And now just as you accepted Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down deep into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught and you will overflow with thankfulness.” – Colossians 2:6-8

Establishing our family’s values and building on biblical truths allows our children’s roots to grow down deep. And these roots will result in strong faith and joyful hearts.

Our families have an intricate set of values:

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“Be very careful never to forget what you have seen God doing for you. May his miracles have a deep and permanent effect upon your lives! Tell your children and your grandchildren about the glorious miracles he did.” – Deuteronomy 4:9

4. _____.

“Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him. Happy is the man whose quiver is full of them.” – Psalm 127:3-5

“He took a little child and had him stand among them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, ‘Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.’” – Mark 9:36-37 LB

Enjoying the moments:

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Reflect: How will you apply this teaching? What really stood out to you in this message?
