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Raising Children

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Pastor Greg Ables
Week 3 – Sunday, May 27, 2018

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Parenting is...

1. Relationship.

“Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” – 1 John 4:11 NIV

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Parenting is...

2. Partnership.

“We work together as partners who belong to God.” – 1 Cor. 3:9 NLT

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Parenting is...

3. Discipleship.

“But oh, my dear children! I feel as if I’m going through labor pains for you again, and they will continue until Christ is fully developed in your lives.” – Galatians 4:19 NLT

Parenting is...

4. Stewardship.

“Children are a blessing and a gift from the Lord.” – Psalm 127:3 CEV

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Praying for the teenagers in your life...

1. We pray the Lord helps us to work together.

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus.” – Romans 15:5 NIV

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Being a part of a church family...

- Is important for your children.

Being a part of a church family...

- Is important for you.

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“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.” – 1 Peter 4:8 NIV

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Praying for the teenagers in your life...

2. We pray, Lord, give them
the right friends.

*“Bad company corrupts good
character.”* – 1 Corinthians 15:33

“So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing.” – 1 Thes. 5:11 NLT

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Praying for the teenagers in your life...

3. Dear Lord, teach them your wisdom.

“Be very careful never to forget what you have seen the Lord do for you. Do not let these things escape from your mind as long as you live! And be sure to pass them on to your children and your grandchildren.” – Deuteronomy 4:9 NLT

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“I will record these things for a generation yet unborn.” – Psalm 102:18

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Ways we learn wisdom...

- We learn wisdom through telling stories of what God's done.

Ways we learn wisdom...

- We learn wisdom through discipline.

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“The Lord corrects those he loves, as parents correct a child of whom they are proud.” – Proverbs 3:12

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*“The children I raised and cared for
have turned against me.”* – Isaiah 1:2 NLT

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Praying for the teenagers in your life...

4. Dear Lord help me to let go.

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Am I releasing my children
to this big scary world?

Or am I releasing them to
God's big plan for their life?

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“You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother’s womb. You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.” – Psalm 139:13,16 NLT

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