PG: Parental Guidance Needed

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There are NO PERECT PARENTS with all of the answers to every parenting issue. In fact, just as you seem to be on a roll as a parent, your child will morph into this new version of himself and cause you to rewrite your perfect manual on parenting.

It is an absolute necessity for children to receive spiritual training, mentoring, and discipleship under your parental guidance.

One of the remarkable facts about the current U.S. adult population is the exposure to spiritual training as children and teenagers. More than eight out of every 10 adults remembers consistently attending Sunday school or some other religious training before the age of 12.

Those who recall being involved typically said they were engaged every week. In fact, seven out of 10 adults (69%) said they attended religious programs weekly.

Deut 6:4-7 NIV

1. Continuously BUILD a relationship

Passing our values on to our children requires a healthy relationship. God's model for teaching Biblical truth to young people called for a constant process through a relational method.

Verse 7

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.

When I have worked to develop the relationship with my child, then I have also developed trust and therefore, have a greater door of entry to impart God's truth and character inside their heart.

2. Lead by EXAMPLE

If we want to pass on biblical values to our children, we must model those values in our own lives. His words must be on our hearts before we can impress them upon the hearts and minds of our children.

3. Be INTENTIONAL with our instruction of God's Word

Deut. 6:7 – Amplified

7 You shall teach them diligently to your children [impressing God's precepts on their minds and penetrating their hearts with His truths] and shall speak of them when you sit in your house and when you walk on the road and when you lie down and when you get up.