

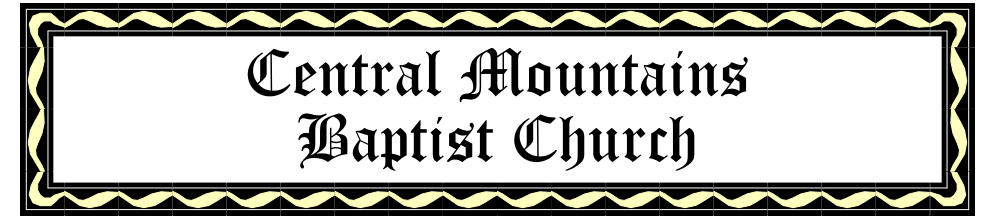
A few weeks later, I caught myself lashing out at my son when I was frustrated. I apologised to him for my behaviour and told him I would learn to treat him with more respect. In the months that followed, I noticed that my son's attitude toward his sister also improved.

Children do not learn to love and obey God only by what we say. They also learn by watching what we do. We are to teach them constantly about God and His Word as we "sit in [our] house, when [we] walk by the way, when [we] lie down, and when [we] rise up" (Deuteronomy 6:7). Along with what we say to our children, we need to set an example by our love and obedience to the Lord.

We can't be perfect parents, but our children must see our desire to please the Lord. And when we fall short, they need to see our repentance. We teach them by both what we say and what we do. —Albert Lee

*You're teaching a lesson each day that you live;
Your actions are blazing a trail
That children will follow for good or for ill;
You can help them or cause them to fail. —Bosch*

A godly parent is a child's best guide to God.



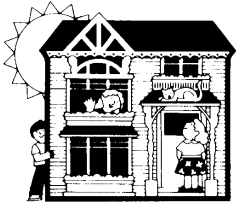
FATHERS' DAY, 2020

Our Children Are Watching

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. —Deuteronomy 6:5

It can be disturbing to realise that our children often mirror the way we speak and act. I remember being concerned about the way my son angrily lashed out at his sister when she was annoying him. My wife gently pointed out to me that his behaviour was a reflection of mine.





Our Home

A Godly Seed II

(Colossians 3:21) *Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.*

There are two aspects of bringing children up “in the Lord”:

1. The Lord’s _____,
Deut 6:4-9, 14

(Ephesians 6:4) *And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.*

(Proverbs 1:8) *My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother;*

(Proverbs 2:1) *My son, .. receive my words, And treasure my commands within you,*

(Proverbs 3:1) *My son, do not forget my law, ...;*

We are to teach our children:

#1. About _____ pressure,

(Proverbs 1:10) *My son, if sinners entice you, Do not consent.*

(Proverbs 4:14) *Do not enter the path of the wicked, ...*

(Proverbs 23:17) *Do not let your heart envy sinners, ...;*

#2. To seek _____,

(Proverbs 1:20) *Wisdom calls aloud outside;*

(Proverbs 2:6) *For the LORD gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding;*

(Proverbs 3:13) *Happy is the man who finds wisdom, And the man who gains understanding;*

(Proverbs 4:5) *Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth.*

#3. About _____ / _____,

(Proverbs 5:3-4) *For the lips of an immoral woman drip honey, And her mouth is smoother than oil; [4] But in the end she is bitter as wormwood, Sharp as a two-edged sword.*

(Proverbs 6:25) *Do not lust after her beauty in your heart, Nor let her allure you with her eyelids.*

(Proverbs 7:27) *Her house is the way to hell, Descending to the chambers of death.*



Benny and Sheree today

#4. _____,

(Proverbs 3:3) *Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart,*

#5. _____,

(Proverbs 3:5) *Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; [6] In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.*

2. The Lord’s _____, Hebrews 11:5-11

(Ephesians 6:4) *And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.*

(Romans 8:1) *There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.*

In discipline we:

#1. _____ our child,

(Proverbs 13:24) *He who spares his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him promptly.*

#2. Want them to turn out _____,

(Proverbs 19:18) *Chasten your son while there is hope, And do not set your heart on his destruction.*

(Proverbs 22:6) *Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.*

(Proverbs 22:15) *Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of correction will drive it far from him.*

#3. Know a little _____ now saves a lot of _____ later,

(Proverbs 23:13-15) *Do not withhold correction from a child, For if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. [14] You shall beat him with a rod, And deliver his soul from hell. [15] My son, if your heart is wise, My heart will rejoice; indeed, I myself;*

Jesse today at his ordination

