

Receive Your Child from the Lord

PARENTING 101 #1 - Pastor Gary Combs - July 17, 2016 - Psalm 127:1-5

Psalm 127:1-5 (ESV) ¹ Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. ² It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep. ³ Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. ⁴ Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. ⁵ Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

How to Receive Your Child from the Lord:

1. Recognize your need for God's _____.

Psalm 24:1 (NLT) The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

1 Corinthians 4:2 (ESV) Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful.

Genesis 18:19 (ESV) For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him."

Exodus 20:12 (ESV) "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

2. Embrace your children as God's _____.

Matthew 18:10 (ESV) See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.

Luke 18:16 (ESV) "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

3. Accept your role as God's _____.

Ephesians 6:4 (NIV) Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Colossians 3:20 (ESV) Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this pleases the Lord.