

On Parenting

Family Life #5 - Pastor Gary Combs - 8/14/22 - Ephesians 6:1-4

Ephesians 6:1-4 (ESV) ¹ Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), ³ "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." ⁴ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

HOW TO PARENT CHILDREN IN THE LORD:

1. Give them the right _____.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7, Colossians 3:20

2. Show them the _____.

Deuteronomy 5:16, Romans 12:10

3. Encourage them with _____.

Colossians 3:21

4. Train them with appropriate _____.

Proverbs 22:6, Proverbs 23:13-14, Hebrews 12:11

SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND MENTAL DEVELOPMENT

	Rules	Relationship	Reason	Resolve
Age	0 – 4 or 5	6 – 7	11 – 12	16 – 18
Mind	<i>Concrete thinking</i> → <i>Adult abstract thinking</i>			
Parental Task	Obey	Honor	Encourage	Release