

Biblical Encouragement for Moms

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Topic Seven - She passes her faith in God to the next generation.

(Her choices in life reflect this goal.)

Have you ever stopped to think about why our country is so ungodly? What is the main problem? Christian Moms and Dads have not been careful to pass their faith on to the next generation. The world has crept in more and more. Many children look and act like the world. It has gotten progressively worse with every generation.

There is hardly a distinction between Christians and non Christians. This grieves the Lord. Are we ashamed of the changes He desires to bring into our lives and the lives of our children?



Trammel children from Glenwood, MO

*“If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: **old things are passed away**, behold, **all things are become new**.” II Corinthians 5:17*

*“For God who **commanded the light to shine out of darkness**, hath shined in our hearts...” II Corinthians 4:6*

*“For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: **walk as children of light**.” Ephesians 5:8*

If we feed the sinful nature of a child enough, they will have no desire for the godly path. Be cautious, mothers.

Five areas are common slippery slopes away from God:

ungodly friendships, ungodly music, ungodly clothing, ungodly entertainment,
ungodly books & other media.

But be wise, and train your children well,

for they can be taught to love what God loves, and hate what God hates at a fairly young age.

According to the Bible, we are to hate evil, not snuggle up to it.

*“Through **wisdom** is a house builded, and by understanding it is established (made strong.) Proverbs 24:3*

Like this verse says, make your home strong, for Christ’s sake.

*“ The just man walketh in his integrity (good moral values, honesty),
his children are blessed after him.” Proverbs 20:7*

Don’t we all want our children to be blessed? If you make it your goal to walk close to your God, your children will be blessed along with you. The alternative is not good.

Passing our faith to the next generation is what God intended. Get rid of anything that would prevent this from happening.

Psalm 78:1-41 is recorded in the Bible for us, revealing the consequences of stubborn and rebellious parents. (Stop & read.)

Our rebellion will most certainly affect our children. Psalm 78:8 gives us a definition of that rebellion.

It says: “a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not steadfast with God.” Verse 11 says “ they forgot His works, and His wonders that He showed them.” Parents, we must set our hearts right with God, and quit forgetting what He has already done! We must learn to be steadfast & faithful to Christ.

Verse 36 even says “they lied unto Him with their tongues.” Many parents are only pretending to love God. It is not worth all the heartache this will bring to your family. Be honest.

Get right with God, and serve Him with your heart of hearts. That is where all the blessing is found.... in a heart that truly loves God ~ multiplying that love in your children.

“[Train up a child in the way he should go](#), and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6

“That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and [keep the paths of the righteous](#).” Proverbs 2:20

“Take fast hold of instruction and let her not go, keep her, for she is thy life. Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men. Avoid it, pass not by it. Turn from it, and pass away.”
Proverbs 4:13-15

There are some places you should not go, as a Christian. There are some things you should not do, as a Christian. Set your eyes on Jesus, and make any needed change, for the love of Jesus, and for a pattern to the next generation.

“One generation shall praise Thy works to another, and shall declare Thy mighty acts.” Psalm 145 :4 *May that be you!*

Let's reach the next generation, our children, for Christ.



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