



Sermon series: Which kind of Parenting is Best?

Text: various

Big Idea: Start the task of making worshipers of your children by laying the gospel footers of respect for you.

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Laying the Gospel Footers in your Child

1. Let's have a Child!

- a. _____ purposes: create life, want to loved/ be loved, carry on family line/name.
- b. _____ purpose. Malachi 2:15

2. Let's lay Proper Footers!

- a. Rearing children to be _____? _____? _____?
_____?
- b. Rearing children to be _____...*valuing & treasuring God above all things.*
 - i. Pour gospel footers: _____.
 - 1. Dad's mantle of responsibility.
 - 2. Evaluate everything: Behaviors, words, tone, attitudes.

 - 3. You will have to say "no".
 - 4. NEVER ignore disrespect.
 - 5. Teach, don't just correct.
 - 6. No anger.
- c. Show them _____.
 - i. I am a rebel sinner
 - ii. God loves me (because of Christ) despite my behavior
 - iii. I still sin and need God's mercy
 - iv. I am God's child forever



To think about...

- If you have children and are married, discuss this question with your spouse: “Why did we decide to have children? What was our original motivation?”
 - What is your motivation now? If something matters more than that your son/daughter becomes a worshiper, what is it? Has any idolatry crept in?
- Looking back on your parenting, what have you done that has made your children respect you?
 - If they don’t, what attempts have you made? Would you like some help? Feel free to call one of the pastors to either chat or get a suggestion for a recommended resource.
- If you are raising children by yourself, how have you addressed the issue of respect with your children?
- In what ways do you demonstrate the gospel to your children? If you have teens, would *they* say that they see it in you?