

**Chapter 1 : How to Raise Confident Kids: Advice for Christian Moms | Ashley Varner**

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Children are a heritage of the Lord. The fruit of the womb is His reward. If I ask for wisdom God gives it liberally. To teach our children is not a chore. The parents of this generation and generations to come will sing praises to the Lord for the great works He has done. And remember each day as we teach His way, God seeks a godly offspring. By Mary Morr Introduction A. Parents are entrusted with a soul of great value: Dentists, doctors and lawyers go to school for 7 years; Specialists for 10 years. Parenting is far more important and has little formal training. About the time we have the experience, we are out of business. Children will ultimately be responsible for their own eternal destinies; Ezekiel God has ordained that children are to be obedient and respectful: Children have the responsibility to serve God without any parental help: Children reap what they sow: Yet, parents will answer for failure to train their children: The home is testing ground for elders; forms basis of ultimate example: It is possible to guarantee a child will grow up righteous: Train a child when young Qualification of elder is raise believing children, Qualifications are not by chance. Training children involves three things: Openly discuss having children with your spouse, even before marriage: Often one spouse can tend to avoid the subject, this is poor communication. Having Children will not resolve marital conflict only heighten it. Wait a period of time after marriage to allow for adjustments: Are you financially able to provide for a family: Read each verse and fill in the important part of the text in blank space A. Shall I come to you with a rod, or with love and a spirit of gentleness? But if you are without discipline, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness. All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness. Therefore, strengthen the hands that are weak and the knees that are feeble, and make straight paths for your feet, so that the limb which is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed. Proverbs Especially For Parents: You shall strike him with the rod And rescue his soul from Sheol. Proverbs Especially For Children: Honor your father and mother which is the first commandment with a promise , so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Eli and his two sons: Words only, no action 2. By this time it was too late! The battle was lost when they were years old D. Emphasizing externals rather than Character: Achievement oriented rather than character oriented: More concerned with scholastic achievement than with behavior and social skills C. Bad friends and playmates will create problems in your child: Fully sheltering them from the world and all evil influence: Failing to take into consideration that children are not adults: Disciplining for things that are typical of their age but very frustrating to parents: Giving too much or too little responsibility or freedom: Teens feel resentful and will rebel F. Losing your temper or yell at them insanely: Do not interfere when your spouse disciplines: Parents must be aware of this and work together. Arguing in front of the kids gives mixed signals and erodes their confidence in both parents 4. Two heads are better than one, take each others viewpoint into consideration, be humble 5. Give more weight to the parent who is not involved in the heat of the problem directly. Never differ over discipline with spouse in front of the children: Children at 8, for example tend to already be self-critical A. Have a clear set of rules and boundaries the child fully knows and understands 1. Enlist the help of each partner to make the boundaries. Revise your boundaries year by year with age. Establish specific penalties for specific violations: Children feel more secure when they have clearly defined boundaries B. Choose a penalty that fits the crime to bring results: God punishes more severely if we knew something was wrong and how accountable we are: God will punish some sins more severely than others: Stealing-restitution 2 times Ex Give a show of love equal to the magnitude of the chosen punishment: Give them a big hug and kiss and tell them you love them after all is finished! Express you love them, "Why does

daddy discipline you? Children can endure difficult periods of correction when there is love expressed D. Use a wide variety of disciplining methods: Every child on earth has needed at least one good spanking! Be creative, think of new methods that will be effective. Correct immediately, but not out of anger or frustration F. Be consistent, Repeat offenses dealt with similarly G. Follow through with what you said: Discipline should produce sorrow for doing the deed 1. There is a difference of sorrow for getting caught and sorrow for committing: Carefully explain why the child is being disciplined both before and after! This ensures the child knows exactly why punished and reinforces through repetition J. Always relate the problem to what Jesus thinks and what the Bible says about it 1. Ask them what Biblical passages apply? Admit to a child who was unjustly punished that you were wrong in doing so! When you admit you wrongly disciplined unjustly, the child already knows! Admission will create love and respect. Failure to admit will cause bitterness and rebellion L. When there is a conflict in stories between your child and an adult Different Methods Of Disciplining: Verbal warning or scolding: Minor crimes, first time offenses B. Stand in corner; sit on a chair; send to room; grounding C. Most children have excessive play time and not enough work time. Great release for summer boredom. Martial discipline or spanking 1. Do not use your hand, but an inanimate object like a wooden spoon, paddle or leather belt. Determine exactly how many times you will spank then tell the child. Privately determine how hard you will spank, no need to tell the child.

**Chapter 2 : God Knows How To Raise Your Kids Even When You Don't - 5 Book Pack**

*God Knows How to Raise Your Kids has 15 ratings and 5 reviews. Laura said: This was a great book with so much practical advice. I have applied a lot what.*

When I speak, I often begin by asking the following two questions. I wanted to help parents identify and understand 40 of the most important faith challenges they need to discuss with their kids so those challenges no longer feel ambiguous and unmanageable. But even once parents gain this critical understanding, the question remains: How does this translate into parental responsibilities? Here are five key things to consider. Parents must commit to continually deepening their understanding of Christianity. In a secular world, kids will frequently encounter challenges to their faith – especially from vocal atheists. Atheists are often well prepared to lay out their arguments against God and Christianity in particular. Unfortunately, many Christian parents are not equally prepared to teach their kids the case for the truth of Christianity and how to defend their beliefs. Questions like the following are critically important for kids to understand today, but few parents are equipped to proactively address them: What evidence is there for the existence of God? Why would a good God allow evil and suffering? How can a loving God send people to hell? Is faith in God the opposite of reason? What are the historical facts of the resurrection that nearly every scholar agrees on? How can Christians believe miracles are even possible? How do we know the Bible we have today says what the authors originally wrote? Does the Bible support slavery, rape and human sacrifice as skeptics allege? In the past, when society was at least more nominally Christian, parents may have been able to avoid addressing the more difficult questions of faith with their kids not that they should have! We must learn what the big challenges are, equip ourselves to engage with them, and commit to continually deepening our understanding of our faith so we can guide our kids accordingly. Somehow you have to transfer that understanding to your kids, and that transfer requires carefully set aside time. The kinds of faith conversations we need to be having with our kids today like the questions listed in point 1 are simply not going to happen in a meaningful way unless you make spiritual space for them. By spiritual space, I mean dedicated time for your family to engage together in growing your understanding of and relationship with God. Parents must study the Bible with their kids. Fewer than 1 in 10 Christian families study the Bible together in a given week. Parents must proactively and regularly ask their kids what questions they have about faith. In a secular world, where kids are constantly hearing competing worldviews, questions are guaranteed to continually arise.

## Chapter 3 : What Does the Bible Say About Raising Your Children?

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I sense these parents are longing for me to give them a formula in which to input their offspring so that children who love and respect the Lord will pop out. However, as most seasoned parents understand, this cannot be reduced to a formula, but requires a great amount of wisdom gleaned from biblical principles. Therefore, please understand these ten keys are not meant to be an all inclusive parenting manual, but rather major biblical points of consideration that God has shown Debbie and me over the last thirty years as we raised our four sons. We readily admit that we made mistakes along the way, but our God was gracious to confirm what we did right and to gently teach us through our mistakes. Hopefully you can benefit from all He has shown us. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. How enlightening that before God commands parents to diligently teach their children v. God wants parents to understand that they cannot transfer to their children what they do not possess themselves. The foundation for both a great marriage and successful parenting is to love the Lord supremely above every other love. Watch the Intro and Key 1 Video: Apply the principles from these suggested resources; What Did You Expect? Only when each spouse passionately loves God key 1 , will they correctly love each other and have the strong marital foundation needed for successful parenting. If you are a single parent, pray for strength and wisdom to show respect and avoid negative put downs of the parent that is no longer in the home. Also, if the ex-spouse is pursuing an ungodly lifestyle and he or she has visitation rights, you must prepare your children to respond respectfully and righteously in the undesirable environment. Benjamin Spock who wrote the book, Baby and Childcare. Unfortunately, many fail to consult the book authored by the One who created the family unit. It is the standard that we are to use to raise children that are God fearing. He has also gifted some Christians with the wisdom to write effective biblically based books on parenting. To successfully parent their children a mom and dad must be on the same page. As previously stated, that page needs to be the Word of God. Parents must make a commitment to search the Scriptures and read biblically based books that direct them to be in harmony. If parents are not in agreement, their children will skillfully manipulate to get their way. A major part of protection is to teach children truth so they will recognize lies that are seeking to take root in their hearts. It is their God ordained duty! Packer writes of the Puritan family: To this end he must take time to learn the faith that he is charged to teach. Can you imagine what a difference it would make if fathers re-instituted this spiritual discipline in their homes? Dads, I challenge you to make family devotions a priority. Parents must shield their children by monitoring television, installing filters on internet, regulating and overseeing the use of cell phones, and reviewing books and materials that are used at school. Also, they must safeguard their children from a society filled with pedophiles by not allowing them to be alone with anyone even friend or relative they do not completely know or trust. Protection also includes training children to resist and report any improper touch. When mothers and fathers brought children to Jesus the disciples reprimanded these parents. But, Jesus immediately rebuked the disciples and encouraged the children to come to Him Mark In a message I preach titled Bestowing a Blessing , I remind parents that Jesus blessed these children in three important ways that they should also emulate: Jesus took time for the children. Jesus tenderly touched the children and offered loving affirmation. Jesus used a tempered tongue with the children. To bless your child is to speak a message that attaches high value and pictures a special future for them with an active commitment as a parent to help them fulfill it. Bestowing a Blessing elaborates on how to effectively incorporate these principles into family life. Make sure you take time to regularly bless each of your children. Their chief problem is they are born a sinner Psalm Your children did not enter this world pursuing God and His righteousness. They came as every person does; a self seeking sinner in need of a savior! A proclivity to sin drives their hearts and minds. The most urgent need of

every child is regeneration through a relationship with Jesus Christ. Parents must discern whether their children actually have personal relationships with Jesus Christ. William Farley in his must read book for parents titled *Gospel Powered Parenting* states: Most Christian parents assume that church attendance or youth-group involvement equates to new birth. There is no shortage of religiously apathetic evangelical adolescents and adults in America. New birth is a radical change of heart that ushers in new desires, new loves, and a new life direction. The new birth is evidenced in your child when you see his or her life, thinking, and behavior begin to revolve around Jesus Christ. New birth is recognized by its fruits, not by a decision. The most important fruit is a hunger for God. It literally means father, not parents. God specifically singled out the father to assume the primary active role in the discipline and instruction of his children. As leaders of their homes, single parents assume the responsibility of following this command. As they face this crucial task, they must remember that they are not alone; the power of God resides within them. Good Christian books are also invaluable in strengthening them for this duty. The Bible promises a twofold blessing to those children who keep these two commands. The flip side is that parents must realize they are on a rescue mission to train their children to obey and give honor. John MacArthur aptly states: Children do not go bad because of something their parents do. They are born sinful, and that sinfulness manifests itself because of what their parents do not do. In a general sense a father provokes his child to wrath or anger when he does not take on the God assigned responsibility to do what is stated in the rest of the verse. More specifically, some of the ways parents provoke a child to anger means to enrage include showing favoritism Genesis This atmosphere of nourishing conveys acceptance and continually offers affirmation of your love to them. It encourages fertile ground in the heart of the child to receive the nurture and admonition that you give to them. Thirdly, you are to nurture the child. The word nurture is also translated as instruction 2 Timothy 3: It infers that you administer discipline to the child. While correcting the behavior of a child is necessary, the ultimate goal is to train the heart behind their behavior. As Ted Tripp writes: A change in behavior that does not stem from a change in heart is not commendable; it is condemnable. Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline him. If you strike him with the rod, you will save his soul from hell. God ordained that the parent use corporal punishment as a means to drive out the foolishness bound in the heart of the child. The rod refers to an instrument that is flexible and stings the child but is not injurious to the child. It is to be used during times when the child is rebellious to your authority. Even Psychologist Robert Larzelee admits that non abusive spanking actually benefits a child more that alternative forms of discipline. However, I am not saying that spanking is the only kind of discipline parents should administer. Keep in mind that the Bible is specific that spanking should be used when a child exhibits a defiant or rebellious attitude. It includes warnings, instruction and teaching the child spiritual disciplines. As this article is not intended to be a comprehensive manual on parenting, I encourage you to check out the footnoted books and also to listen to the audio message *How to Keep Denise from Becoming a Menace*. Simply stated, inspire them to have both a fascination and awe for the majesty of God. Since I have already written several articles on this topic, I refer you to them. Catechizing children is a forgotten discipline that trains their hearts to recognize the awesomeness of God at an early age. *Mighty Acts of God* is an excellent resource that presents Bible stories in a way that emphasizes and exalts the character of God recommended for ages 8 and up.

**Chapter 4 : How to Raise Your Kids So They Will Remain in the Faith | Cold Case Christianity**

*This book covers the topics from Joe's Biblical Parenting series in written, easy-to-read form. This insightful and humorous manual is a must read for every parent, whether your children are toddlers or teens.*

Usually result of training in atheistic methodology only ideas available from accredited institutions. Bible has all the answers, divine wisdom, I Pet. Is this "wisdom" contrary to the Bible? Is this "wisdom" in the Bible? If no, them not wise. Fathers responsible as overseers. Fathers have direct, personal responsibility to teach. Begin as scripture does with what "tr. Under discipline the primary problem. Made known only after broken. Contrast beginning of covenants, Eden, Israel. Heat of battle is no time to make rules. Like trying to play baseball when rules changed each day. Tomorrow, rebellious disrespectful, but no punishment?? Why do parents keep moving boundaries? Must work at discipline. Expect immediate results instant coffee, minute rice. Try 2 or 3 days and see no change. Establishing new patterns takes 2 or 3 weeks. Young people want rules; to know limits, what to expect. Can read, re-read, remind, confirm. Failing to follow through destroys the effort. Too many rules another form of under discipline. Sounds like over discipline but from practical view, it is not. Dilutes force of all. Make a few well thought out rules ahead of time. Give all a copy. Children astute enough to take advantage. Vital for her to show respect. Should be worked out ahead of time, before infraction. Perhaps 2 families in same home, grandparents more permissive. Results in pendulum thinking. Permissiveness is bad, opposite extreme is also bad and exasperating, provokes to anger. Dad determines to be head so polishes up uniform swinging nightstick. Arbitrary, flaunting of authority. Brandishing authority for its own sake. Why should ours be? Punishment should be appropriate. Disrespectful "back talk" is a sin, Eph. Yet over discipline may discourage not just back talk but all talk, vital communication. Usually should discuss problems, give explanation given with respect. Take time to listen. Some make a federal case of everything and every word spoken to child is negative. Negatives call attention to selves. Positives often overlooked, expected, normal, therefore unnoticed. Takes conscious effort to be aware. Prolonged torturous prohibitions of privileges. Immediate physical punishment much more merciful. Rather get it over with. Contrast in doghouse for week. Reminded over and over for one infraction. First word, "discipline," or "training. Means training with structure; discipline with teeth; training with positive goal in mind, backed up with the rod. Rod is Biblical, Prov. It is a warning! From man, not God. Second Word-"admonition" or "instruction. Factor that separates admonition of the Lord from training of behaviorist, as dog or pigeon. Our goal not just behavior; roll over; get newspaper in teeth. They speak of rewards but as method of manipulation. No respect for image of God in child or H. Motivates not only with rod but also with the cross. Involves bringing child from structural discipline to self discipline, learning to back off and allow child to assumeresponsibilities, "coaching" children in righteousness. Divine wisdom reveals what to do, what not to do.

**Chapter 5 : Ten Keys to Raising Godly Children – Family Fortress**

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Here is his advice for parents: Put Christ first in your life 2. Model what a Christian should look like 3. Make family a priority 4. Teach your children the Bible and about God 5. Make sure you are connected to a church 6. Regularly attend a church 7. Encourage your children to have Godly influences in their lives 8. Pray regularly with and for your children 9. Teach your children the Bible and about God. For many of us, however, the challenge seems daunting. Do we know enough about the Bible to teach it to our children? What else do we need to know in order to effectively teach our children about God? I think it does. Jon cited three important characteristics of college aged Christians who held on to their faith and were committed to their church family: They have been equipped, not entertained. Their parents preached the gospel to them. Any of this sound familiar? In fact, we need to shift completely from teaching to training. We must become the best Christian Case Makers our kids will ever meet, and help our kids learn how to make the case. Our experience as parents, youth leaders and pastors taught us that young people begin to question their faith in junior high. We wanted to provide a resource that would answer critical questions kids might have before they even begin to ask them. Each book is designed and written to follow the adult books chapter by chapter, so parents can learn how to make the case first, then become the best Christian apologists their kids will ever know. The adult books will provide parents with the foundation they need to guide their kids through their junior high and high school years. Leaders like pastors and teachers who can use the books along with the free associated teaching resources to train up larger groups of kids in a classroom or ministry setting.

**Chapter 6 : Everything You Ever Needed To Know About Raising God-Fearing Kids!**

*God Knows How To Raise Your Kids Even When You Don't.*

Scott Cummings What does the Bible say about parenting? I was overwhelmed with pride, excitement, and anxiety. I realized there was no turning back: I was a father. Parents—especially first-timers—often have feelings of anticipation and even fear. So we search for resources to help us. We look to our own parents for wisdom. We ask our siblings and friends who have already had children. And some of us consult the Bible, which is filled with parenting advice. Parents in the Bible Of course, the Bible was not written primarily as a how-to guide for raising children. Nevertheless, it has plenty to say on the subject. Through proverbs and stories, the Bible reveals much about what it means to parent in a godly way. Much is demonstrated through narrative examples of parents raising their children in good and. Some of those bad examples lead people to think that anything the Bible has to say about parenting should be discredited. But I believe the illustrations of bad parenting in the Bible are meant to show us what not to do—as most bad examples are intended to do. One of the most well-known and controversial Bible stories of parent and child is that of Abraham and Isaac. Abraham had waited literally one hundred years for Isaac to come along. But then God told Abraham to take Isaac up a mountain and to sacrifice him as an offering. God stopped Abraham from going through with the sacrifice of his son. Never does the Bible advocate hurting your children. The fact that Isaac was never actually harmed—plus the many places where the Bible condemns child sacrifice—supports this point. Time and again, the Bible urges parents to do three things: Treasure Your Children Psalm Treasuring our children means we must not parent with cruelty, overcorrection, or unduly harsh discipline. Such treatment can cause our children to become bitter and resentful. My wife and I have raised three kids for the last thirteen years. But it never fails: Just as the Bible says, our children are a blessing to us. And so we must treasure them at all times and all ages. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. This should be the foundation of our teachings to them. To do this, parents are encouraged to teach and correct children through careful, gentle discipline. Scripture tells us that God disciplines his children meaning all believers out of love: But it is impossible to overstate the importance of ensuring we discipline our children from a place of love, never out of anger. We discipline our children to improve their long-term quality of life, not to vent our emotions. Author Chip Ingram makes a great point: I hope for my children to find the same comfort, love, and purpose in relationship with God. Model a Right Life for Your Children Finally, the Bible urges parents to model for their children everything they teach them. Essentially, as the old adage goes, we need to practice what we preach. The book of Titus explains what Christians are to do: In your teaching, show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech. Children become what they see, so we must show them what we want them to become. If you want your child to live a life according to certain standards, you yourself must do so first. My father modeled good behavior to me in treating my stepmother with love and respect, so I learned from his example how I ought to treat my wife. My oldest son visited his aunt last summer on his own and she let us know what a gentleman he was. Apparently he has been watching me do this for his mom all these years and actually learned something—a bit shocking, I know. The truth of the matter is pretty clear: Model what you want your children to be. Grace and Forgiveness But though God has given us wisdom about parenting, we all sometimes fail to live it out. Even though my wife and I have learned a thing or two by now, we still feel anxiety. We question—or even regret—a decision we made in the heat of the moment. No one is perfect, least of all us. But thankfully we have the most powerful tool in our back pockets: We, as children who fail the ultimate Father when we sin, are still loved by him. My wife and I cling to this truth when we lose our tempers or forget an event or overbook ourselves. Tyndale, , Kindle edition, The Holy Bible, Titus 2:

**Chapter 7 : Joe McGee (Author of God Knows How to Raise Your Kids)**

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In the beginning, and after the great flood, God said to replenish the earth. That has already been done. I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old: Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us. We will not hide [them] from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done. For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know [them, even] the children [which] should be born; [who] should arise and declare [them] to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments: And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation [that] set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God. The children of Ephraim, [being] armed, [and] carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle. They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law; And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them. And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. God, our Father, gave us rules and boundaries because He loves us and knows that we need them. God made it clear to Samuel that it is not good to raise children with no boundaries. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. The object is to show parents that their commands should be such that they can be easily obeyed, or such as are entirely reasonable and proper. If children are required to "obey," it is but reasonable that the commands of the parent should be such that they can be obeyed, or such that the child shall not be discouraged in his attempt to obey. It was the duty of the wife to obey - but it was the corresponding duty of the husband to manifest such a character that it would be pleasant to yield obedience - so to love her, that his known wish would be law to her. In like manner it is the duty of children to obey a parent; but it is the duty of a parent to exhibit such a character, and to maintain such a government, that it would be proper for the child to obey; to command nothing that is unreasonable or improper, but to train up his children in the ways of virtue and pure religion. So govern them, and so punish them - if punishment is necessary - that they shall not lose their confidence in you, but shall love you. The apostle here has hit on the very danger to which parents are most exposed in the government of their children. It is that of souring their temper; of making them feel that the parent is under the influence of anger, and that it is right for them to be so too. The spirit of a child then becomes irritated, and he is "discouraged. The child then feels: If he submits in the case, it is only because the parent is the strongest, not because he is right, and the child cherishes anger, while he yields to power. There is no principle of parental government more important than that a father should command his own temper when he inflicts punishment. He should punish a child not because he is angry, but because it is right; not because it has become a matter of personal contest, but because God requires that he should do it, and the welfare of the child demands it. The moment when a child feels that a parent punishes him under the influence of anger, that moment the child will be likely to be angry too - and his anger will be as proper as that of the parent. And yet, how often is punishment inflicted in this manner! And how often does the child feel that the parent punished him simply because he was the strongest, not because it was right; and how often is the mind of a child left with a strong conviction that wrong has been done him by the punishment which he has received, rather than with repentance for the wrong that he has himself done. Here it

means that they are to train up their children in such a manner as the Lord approves; that is, they are to educate them for virtue and religion. The sense here is, that they were to put them in mind of the Lord - of his existence, perfections, law, and claims on their hearts and lives. This command is positive, and is in accordance with all the requirements of the Bible on the subject. No one can doubt that the Bible enjoins on parents the duty of endeavoring to train up their children in the ways of religion, and of making it the grand purpose of this life to prepare them for heaven.

**Chapter 8 : How to Have God Fearing Children: 7 Steps (with Pictures)**

*Pray to him. Tell God everything. Tell God if you aren't able to raise your children to have fear for Him. Let God know your problem. Thank Him for his award, which is having children.*

Share When I think about being a good mom, one of my biggest goals is to raise confident kids. I want to teach my children is how to be confident. I want to raise them to be confident kids so that whenever they grow, they can be confident teenagers and ultimately confident adults. Do you have a pile of laundry to do? Once you have the kind of God confidence that only He can give, it just changes the way that you live. There is a freedom when you live in confidence that I want to pass down to my children. I want them to be able to walk in the truth of where their worth comes from. God-confidence is about who you are inside and we can begin to teach our kids that at a very young age how to live that well. Be clear about where their worth comes from. The first place to start when you want to raise confident kids is to be very clear about where their worth comes from. It comes from knowing who they are in Christ. It comes from knowing that they belong to Him, that they are His children, and so if you want to raise confident kids, the first thing that you need to do is be very clear about where their worth comes from. Lead by Example Teach your children how to live with confidence by your example. Insecurity was one thing I always struggled with when my kids were small. Once I started building my confidence on the secure foundation of Christ, it became much easier to teach my kids by example. They see a mom and a dad that are secure. They see a mom who is walking in the confidence that can only come from Christ and they stop looking to the world to grow their confidence. When your children see you walking in God-confidence, they stop looking to their friends to help them fit in. Or they stop looking to different toys, or abilities, or a car or whatever the world thinks will bring confidence. Your children need time with the Lord just like you do. Next up, allow your kids to try new things. Let your kids try a variety of things. Find out the things that they feel they are competent in and to be honest, that goes back to that second step when you are confident yourself. Sometimes, we put our expectations on our kids because we think if they are great in a certain area, then that comes back on us and that makes us look good. You let go of those expectations on your kids, and instead guide them out of love, not insecurity. And that ties in perfect with the next step. Children have different strengths and weaknesses. I want to teach them how to problem solve. This is where the rubber hits the road. As they do this, this is the mindset that emerges. Your child starts to think: I may not have figured this out first, but I think this was the problem. I can fix this and keep getting better. I can work hard and change the problem. I can find a better solution. The world tells us that in order to be confident, we have to already have achieved all these things. We have to have the big house, we have to have the nice car, we have to have the healthy bank account. It comes from listening to the Lord. It comes from knowing Him and knowing who you are in Him. Be Specific with Your Praise The last tip that I want to give about raising confident children is to make your praise very specific. This is something that I started doing once my kids were a little bit older, but I wish that I had started right away. I want to be intentional about how I praise them. Those phrases end up not meaning anything at all. So why do I do now? Mama, it all comes back to being mindful and being intentional about showing them who they are in Christ. Because I know as an adult I need that reminder all the time, so I want to make sure that I do that with my kids. A Resource for Your Kids If you want to raise confident kids, then I want to tell you about a resource that I created for my kids and it ended up blessing them so much and helping them so much that I made it available to all of you. It is called Hidden in my Heart. This can be done in eight minutes a day. One of the biggest tools that you can give your kids is a mom that is confident. As you are growing in Christ to yourself, as you are learning how to walk in His confidence and you are discovering your worth, that will automatically ripple out to your kids. This is a 21 day devotion. Whenever we base our competence on ourselves, we are going to fail. Then you can walk in confidence without living like your riding a roller coaster. You know what I mean. And sadly that ripples out to your kids, too.

**Chapter 9 : GOD TELLS US About raising children.**

*After a summary of God's law given to the Israelites, Deuteronomy instructs, "Impress [God's commandments] on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." 4.*