



RESOURCES

RAISING KIDS IN CHRIST

There is no substitute for modeling and passing down your own personal love and relationship with Christ. Your kids will gain a picture of God by watching you, as you grow to live for Him, and as you interact with your spouse. Ultimately, they will choose to receive or reject Him. This is why we pray, pray and pray some more. We hope these resources will help in your pursuit to raise your kids to know and love Christ.

1. BIBLES

Infant/Toddler –

The Rhyme Bible Storybook for Toddlers – Linda Sattgast

The Beginner's Bible: Timeless Children's Stories – Kelly Pulley

Elementary –

The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name – Sally

Lloyd-Jones

Middle/High School –

English Standard Version Student Study Bible

2. VIDEOS

Veggie Tales – Phil Vischer

Buck Denver Asks: What's In The Bible? Volumes 1-10 – Buck Denver

3. BOOKS

Read Aloud Bible Stories: Volumes 1- 4 – Ella K Lindvall

The Big Picture of What God Always Wanted (The Gospel Project) – Charles F. Boyd

Jesus Calling: 365 Devotions For Kids – Sarah Young



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4. OTHER RESOURCES

New City Catechism – Tim Keller (Available via web, apps, and printed docs)

Fighter Verses Bible Memory – Children Desiring God, John Piper

5. LIFE RHYTHM IDEAS

Meal Times: Eat dinner together, without the TV. Go around the table and share “High/Low” points from the day. Stop when you feel drawn to either talk some about the things shared (looking for teachable moments) or to pray together to thank God or ask Him for help. Meal Times are also a prime time for bringing out the New City Catechism to ask a question, say the answer together, towards memorizing. You can also look up the corresponding verses and read those together as a family, play the songs, videos etc. found on the app.

Bed Times: Use bed times to read good books together, or read the bible together. Take time to pray together before bed. Climb into bed with your kids and ask them to share any questions they have about life, God, you/spouse, friends, anything at all. Become their primary voice, shaping their love for Christ now, and that they feel comfortable coming to you later in life with any questions.

Discipline: Decide how you will discipline your children, so that they will know there are consequences for sinful/harmful behavior, as well as that they are unconditionally loved/forgiven. Think of these phases: 1. Define their behavior with them, talking them through why it is harmful. 2. Discipline them. 3. Follow up by having them voice their specific offense, and asking for forgiveness. Voice your forgiveness and unconditional love for them.

Daddy/Mommy Kid Dates: Set a set day a week/month for one of you to take one child out on a date. Make it simple, but repetitious. Praise them for Christ-like characteristics you are seeing in them, dialogue on those which are not. Have fun together.