

TAGGED

EVERY RELATIONSHIP COUNTS

Parents and Kids

Sermon Notes – May 5 & 6, 2018

Bible Passage: Ephesians 6:1-4 (NIV translation)

- ❖ Parents are the _____ of their kids.
- ❖ The vision statement of Community Church is to ‘follow Jesus and lead others to Him.’

1. Aim at the right _____.
Luke 2:1-38

2. Set the right _____.
Luke 2:41-52

- ❖ We pressure our kids into succeeding _____ instead of preparing them to succeed _____.

3. _____ them in their world.
John 19:25

You are invited to use this paper to take notes during the worship experience on the message and then study it at home or in a small group. Consider how to apply the message as you love, lead and launch people for Jesus.

Connect Guide

Discuss

1. How do you celebrate family birthdays?
2. If you are a parent (or like a parent to someone), what do you enjoy most about that role?
3. Read Psalm 127:3-5. What do these verses say about parenting? In what ways do you agree or disagree?
4. What are some goals parents, schools, churches and cultures often have for raising their kids? Looking at the example of Mary the mother of Jesus, what would you say her goals were? Any clue how she accomplished them?
5. Read Luke 2:1-38. Were there boundaries in place? In what ways were they crossed or encouraged? Do you find it hard to enforce boundaries and let go of control?
6. When you were a kid, what were you involved in? What adults (or parent-like people) influenced you in those worlds? What worlds are the kids you know today involved in? Is there a way to join them?
7. In what way is holy communion meaningful as we consider parent and child relationships?

Apply

What child do you know that needs the love and kindness of a parent? How can you help them to aim for the right things; set the right boundaries and then join them in their world? Reach out this week and begin building into that relationship. Remember that ultimately the kid has free will and will make choices but, you can influence, guide and be filled with grace. If you are looking for a way to serve with kids and families contact staff Sherry Hoyman, Erin Kerstetter or Scott Uhlinger to learn more.

Prayer

Lord, you care for us with an unwavering and unimaginable depth we cannot conceive. Forgive us when we fail to seek you. Thank you for tagging us as yours. Reveal yourself to us on this Jesus Quest as we learn how to be in relationship with others. In Jesus, Amen