MYTH #3: A GODLY HOME GUARANTEES GODLY KIDS
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I. **FIRST, THIS IS A MYTH.**
   
   A. We think it promises that if kids are raised in godly homes they will be godly.
   
   B. This verse is actually dangerous.

II. **WHAT’S THE REALITY BEHIND THIS MYTH?**
   
   A. It’s a myth because a proverb isn’t a promise.
   
   B. We are reading this verse wrong.

III. **THERE’S ACTUALLY SOMETHING DANGEROUS ABOUT THIS VERSE.**
   
   A. First, this verse is dangerous because it can cause guilt.
   
   B. Second, this verse is dangerous because it can produce false pride.
   
   C. Third, the greatest danger of this verse is that it offers false hope.

IV. **SO WHAT IS A PARENT’S RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THEIR CHILDREN’S SPIRITUAL TRAINING?**
   
   A. To parents with kids at home.
   
   1. First, put your marriage first, not your kids.
   
   2. Second, teach your kids about God’s love.
   
   3. Third, train your kids by your example.

   B. To parents of prodigal kids.
   
   1. First, don’t stop praying for them.
   
   2. Second, model the role.
   
   3. Third, don’t use guilt or criticism.
   
   4. Fourth, trust God to reach your kids.
   
   5. Fifth, you can’t force kids to be godly.
C. To Kids.

1. First, take ownership of your faith.

2. Second, being raised in a godly home doesn’t guarantee you a place in heaven.

3. Third, stop blaming your parents.

4. Fourth, Jesus loves you and wants you to come back—Jer. 31:3.