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## Resource Suggestions

### PARENTING & FAMILY

*A man ought to live so that everybody knows he is a Christian...  
and most of all, his family ought to know.*

— D.L. Moody

*The family is the cornerstone of our society. More than any other force it shapes the attitude, the hopes, the ambitions, and the values of the child. And when the family collapses it is the children that are usually damaged. When it happens on a massive scale the community itself is crippled.*

— President Lyndon Johnson

From the beginning of the story of man, God demonstrates man's need for intimate relationships with Him and with others. In Genesis 2:24 God establishes the institution of marriage and creates the entity of the family. God's ideal for the family has been under constant attack from that time until today and Christians must continue to exalt and demonstrate God's design for the foundational relationships and importance of the family. Scripture speaks to the importance of marriage (1 Corinthians 7) as well as the responsibilities of the husband and wife (Ephesians 5:22-33). The Bible gives parents (not the state or the school) authority and responsibility over their children, who are gifts from the Lord (Psalm 127:3-5). Parents are commanded to teach their children the Word of God (Deut. 6:7-9) and to pass on to the next generation their spiritual legacy (Psalm 78). Parents are also encouraged to model Christ-like sacrificial love for their children and are to train their children (Proverbs 22:6) and discipline them in fear and admiration of the Lord.



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<b>Creating A Christian Home</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>The Most Important Place on Earth: What a Christian Home Looks Like and How to Build One</i>	Robert Wolgemuth	All adults
<i>A Life Well Spent: The Eternal Rewards of Investing Yourself and Your Money in Your Family</i>	Russ Crosson	All adults
<i>52 Family Time Ideas: Draw Closer to Your Kids as You Draw Closer to God</i>	Tim Smith	All adults
<i>The Epidemic: The Rot of American Culture, Absentee and Permissive Parenting, and the Resultant Plague of Joyless, Selfish Children</i>	Robert Shaw, M.D.	All adults ( <b>not</b> a Christian book)
<i>The Suburban Christian: Finding Spiritual Vitality in the Land of Plenty</i>	Albert Y. Hsu	All adults

<b>Discipling Your Children</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>Age of Opportunity: A Biblical Guide to Parenting Teens</i>	Paul David Tripp	Parents of MS – US students
<i>Thoughts for Young Men</i>	J.C. Ryle	US boys
<i>Parent's Guide to the Spiritual Growth of Children: Helping Your Child Develop a Personal Faith</i>	John Trent, Ph.D., Rick Osborne, Kurt Bruner – general editors (Focus on the Family Heritage Builders series)	Parents of LS – MS students
<i>Parent's Guide to the Spiritual Mentoring of Teens: Building Your Child's Faith Through the Adolescent Years</i>	Joe White, Jim Weidmann – general editors (Focus on the Family's Heritage Builder's series)	Parents of MS students
<i>Child Training Tips: What I Wish I Knew When My Children Were Young</i>	Reb Bradley	Parents of LS – MS students
<i>Teach Them Diligently: How to Use the Scriptures in Child Training</i>	Lou Priolo	Parents of LS – MS students
<i>Ready for Responsibility: How to Equip Your Children for Work and Marriage</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	Parents of MS – US students
<i>Who's In Charge Here: Overcoming Power Struggles with Your Children</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	Parents of MS – US students
<i>The Danger of Raising Nice Kids: Preparing Our Children to Change Their World</i>	Timothy Smith	Parents of all age students
<i>Parenting with Scripture: A Topical Guide for Teachable Moments</i>	Kara Durbin	Parents of all age students

<b>Discipling Your Children</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>Raising Confident Kids</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	Parents of all age students
<i>Shepherding a Child's Heart</i>	Tedd Tripp	Parents of LS – MS students

<b>Challenges To Dads</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>A Man of God: Essential Priorities for Every Man's Life</i>	Jack Graham	All men
<i>Raising a Modern-Day Knight: A Father's Role in Guiding His Son to Authentic Manhood</i>	Robert Lewis	Dads with all age sons
<i>Bringing Up Boys: Practical Advice and Encouragement for Those Shaping the Next Generation of Men</i>	Dr. James Dobson	Dads with all age sons
<i>Lessons from a Father to His Son</i>	John Ashcroft	Dads with all age sons
<i>Anchor Man: How a Father Can Anchor His Family in Christ for the Next 100 Years</i>	Steve Farrar	All men
<i>Finishing Strong: How Can a Man Go the Distance</i>	Steve Farrar	All men
<i>She Calls Me Daddy: Seven Things Every Man Needs to Know About Building a Complete Daughter</i>	Robert Wolgemuth	Dads with all age daughters
<i>The Compleat Gentleman: A Modern Man's Guide to Chivalry</i>	Brad Miner	All men ( <b>not</b> a Christian book)
<i>The Power of a Praying Husband</i>	Stormie Omartian	Husbands
<i>The Complete Husband</i>	Lou Priolo	Husbands
<i>The Exemplary Husband: A Biblical Perspective</i>	Stuart Scott	Husbands
<i>Renaissance Fathers: Raising Noble Sons</i>	Rick Johnson	Dads with all age children
<i>Letters from Dad: Unlock the Secret to Leaving a Lasting Legacy for Your Children and Grandchildren</i>	Greg Vaughn (with Fred Holmes)	Dads with all age children
<i>Men Under Construction: Building a Life That Honors God</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	All men
<i>Fathers and Sons: 10 Life Principles to Make Your Relationship Stronger</i>	Ron and Matt Jenson	Dads with all age sons
<i>Disciplines of a Godly Man</i>	R. Kent Hughes	All men
<i>Better Dads, Stronger Sons: How Fathers Can Guide Boys to Become Men of Character</i>	Rick Johnson	All fathers

<b>Encouragement For Moms</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>The Power of a Positive Mom</i>	Karol Ladd	Moms
<i>Being a Great Mom, Raising Great Kids</i>	Sharon Jaynes	Moms
<i>Creative Correction: Extraordinary Ideas for Everyday Discipline</i>	Lisa Whelchel	Moms
<i>The Excellent Wife: A Biblical Perspective</i>	Martha Peace	Wives
<i>That's My Son: How Moms Can Influence Boys to Become Men of Character</i>	Rick Johnson	Moms with sons
<i>On the Other Side of the Garden: Biblical Womanhood for Today's World</i>	Virginia Fugate	Moms/Wives
<i>The Power of a Praying Wife (and Parent)</i>	Stormie Omartian	Wives
<i>The Christian Mom's Idea Book: Hundreds of Ideas, Tips, and Activities to Help You be a Great Mom</i>	Ellen Banks Elwell	Moms
<i>That's My Son: How Moms Can Influence Boys to Become Men of Character</i>	Rick Johnson	Moms with sons
<i>Don't Make Me Count to Three: A Mom's Look at Heart-Oriented Discipline</i>	Ginger Plowman	Moms
<i>Wise Words for Moms</i>	Ginger Plowman	Moms
<i>Twelve Extraordinary Women: How God Shaped Women of the Bible, and What He Wants to Do with You</i>	John MacArthur	All women

<b>Challenge For Grandparents</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>101 Ways to Love Your Grandkids: Sharing Your Life and God's Love</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	Grandparents

<b>Dealing With Divorce</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>Between Two Worlds: The Inner Lives of Children of Divorce</i>	Elizabeth Marquardt	US students and all adults
<i>Winning the Heart of Your Stepchild</i>	Dr. Bob Barnes	All age adults

<b>Preparing Them For College</b>		
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>AGE LEVEL</b>
<i>College Bound: What Christian Parents Need to Know About Helping Their Kids Choose a College</i>	Thomas A. Shaw	US students and all adults
<i>University of Destruction: Your Game Plan for Spiritual Victory on Campus</i>	David Wheaton	US students and all adults
<i>How to Stay Christian in College</i>	J. Budziszewski	US students and all adults
<i>A Student's Guide to the Core Curriculum</i>	Mark Henrie	US students and all adults