

Faith Christian Fellowship
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Supernatural Parenting: You Are a Supernatural Parent

2Tim 1:1-6 Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children. ~ Charles (Chuck) Swindoll

- ❖ God is a parent
 - Father God – God wants us to know He is our Father Rom 8:15
 - Jn 14:18 You are not an orphan. You are NOT parentless.
 - He loves your children more than you do. He doesn't expect you to do it on your own. Rom 5:8; Matthew 7:9-11; Luke 11:9-13
 - He has given the responsibility and authority to raise them to you
 - AUTHORITY/Responsibility to disciple. Matthew 28:18
 - Prov 22:6; Eph 6:4; Psalm 78:1-4; Deut 6:4-9, 20-25; Gen 18:19
- ❖ Parent + Supernatural = Supernatural Parenting
 - If you have children, you are a parent
 - If you are born again, you have the Spirit John 3:6/1Cor 6:19
 - You know the Father. Romans 8:15
 - You hear His voice. Hebrews 12:25, John 10:3-4, John 14:24-26
- ❖ Train up Your Children Proverbs 22:6
 - Proverbs 22:6 We have a divine mandate to train our children
 - Train = Chanak – dedicate, train, initiate (in the Way to Go!)
 - We are to train children, grandchildren, spiritual babies, in the way they should GO! To be MATURE Christians
 - **Parents... Don't raise kids... Raise up Adults!**
 - **Instruction in Righteousness** 2 Tim 3:16 More than just Word
 - More than just telling Bible Stories and Do's/Don'ts. Make sure they know why. Get involved in helping them KNOW him and not just know about Him.
 - **Family Time** – God is a quality time guy. Ps 91:1, Mathew 6:6
 - Share a meal Ps 23 table spread before the enemy.
 - Mark 1:35 **Your family need special time together too.**
 - Boldly go to the Father. Heb 4:16
 - **Discipline** – No GOOD parent enjoys this. God doesn't.
 - He'd prefer to not have to correct us. The purpose isn't to hurt us but to HELP. There's a great book in the Book Nook on God's Keeping System (The Chastening of the Lord)...

- Prov 13:24 If you love your children you will discipline them
- **Train them up in how they should go... that means sometimes you have to say NO!**
- **Learn the difference between Repetition and Nagging**
 - **Nagging** is a form of critical pestering, finding fault with somebody repeatedly or otherwise reminding an individual of previously discussed dictates or advice, usually from a perspective of superiority.
 - 2 Peter 1:12 Repetition - With no charged attitude. Only a heart to impart truths that will bless and help your children. It is the mother of all learning Rom 10:17
- **Prayer** - Teach your kids how to pray. Luke 11:1; 2 Tim 1:1-6
 - Pray with your children about Family things... Let them see His hand at work.
 - They need to hear you pray! John 11:41-43
 - Pray for them – Jesus does (John 17, Rom 8:34)
 - Paul prayed for all his spiritual children... Eph 1:16, Rom 1:9, Col 4:12, 1 Th 1:2, Philemon 1:4, etc...
 - Pray in the HOLY GHOST Rom 8:26-27
- **Take Care of Yourself**
 - Physically, Emotionally, Relationally, Spiritually
If you're on Empty you will have nothing to impart to anyone.
 - Make sure you spend intimate time with Him... He will Help you with your kids... because He loves them more than you. Matthew 7:9-11
- ❖ You are a Supernatural Parent.
 - You are not alone. He is with you. Hebrews 13:5
 - I don't know how to start. Learn from Him
 - You Have the WORD
 - You have supernatural Equipment 1 Corinthians 12
 - You have His wisdom available to you James 1:5
 - Parent through Him. You are a SUPERNATURAL PARENT!
Let no Christian parents fall into the delusion that Sunday School is intended to ease them of their personal duties. The first and most natural condition of things is for Christian parents to train up their own children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. ~ Charles Haddon Spurgeon