

Heart to Heart Parenting

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Parenting Temptations

- ✓ Disengaged and _____
1 Samuel 3:13
- ✓ The Friend

“Pursue the Heart”

Proverbs 23:26

Grasping Hearts

Ephesians 6:4

- ✓ We must show our children that we want their hearts and that we can be _____ with their hearts
- ✓ If we are going to do this, we must be good *children* of our Heavenly Father
James 1:20
- ✓ Do your children know you love your _____ above all else?
- ✓ It doesn't matter if this is “the way we were raised” or not, we are seeking to instill in our children the heart of our Heavenly Father

How do we grasp the hearts of our children?

1) Prayer

Jeremiah 33:3

- Pray for _____
James 1:5
- Pray for your children
Psalms 72
- Pray _____ your children
Matthew 18:20

2) Time

- Relationships take _____
- Make time for your child that is...
 - One-on-one
 - Frequent
 - Focused
 - Spirit led
 - Threat-free
 - Flexible
 - Fun
 - Serving
 - Consistent

3) Laugh

Proverbs 15:15, Proverbs 17:22

- Teens love to _____; they naturally see humor!
- Teach them what to laugh at

4) Encourage

Proverbs 15:23, Proverbs 25:11, Ephesians 4:29

- Good parents help their children know when they have done _____
- Godly parents help their children also know when they have done right

Guiding Hearts

Deuteronomy 6:6-9, Joshua 4:20-24

- ✓ The teen years are the laboratory for adulthood, and you are the instructor
- ✓ What are the characteristics of a good instructor?
 - 1) _____ and Approachable
 - 2) Transparent
 - 3) Providing Contextualization
 - 4) Providing _____

Guarding Hearts

Proverbs 4:23

- ✓ We must give all diligence to guarding our hearts for God
- ✓ It's like guarding a city, every entry point must be protected, or you will have _____!
 - 1) Time
Ephesians 5:16
 - 2) Relationships
Proverbs 13:20
 - 3) Entertainment
Psalms 101:3

Book recommendation: *Passionate Parenting* by Cary Schmidt

*Don't tell me – show me
Don't demand it – display it
Don't push me – lead me*
