

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

John 17:15-19

English Standard Version





Sending Them Out

Prepare Your Child for a Life of Service to God



Big Idea

Though our role in our children's lives will change, we're still uniquely qualified to guide, direct, and encourage them once they've left the house.



GUIDANCE

Through Trouble

We can't protect our
children from every
danger in the world.



GUIDANCE Through Trouble

Be There for Support and to Welcome Home

Luke 15:17-20

Pray for God's Protection Over Them

Job 1:5; John 17:15

“ ‘I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.” ’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.”

Luke 15:18-20

English Standard Version





GUIDANCE Through Trouble

How will you respond
when your child fails
their tests?

A child in a military-style uniform, including a helmet and a vest, stands in a field of dry leaves. The child is holding a rifle. The image is dark and moody, with the text overlaid in white.

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Lasting
DIRECTION

God made our kids for his
glory, not ours.

The background of the slide is a dark, monochromatic photograph of a person in a field. The person is wearing a dark jacket and light-colored pants, and is holding a rifle. They are standing in a field of tall grass and leaves. The image is faded and serves as a backdrop for the text.

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Lasting **DIRECTION**

Instill the Identity of a Servant

1 Sam. 1:27-28

Connect Them to the Vine

John 15:4-10

“For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord. As long as he lives, he is lent to the Lord.”

1 Samuel 1:27-28

English Standard Version





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Lasting **DIRECTION**

Do you see yourself as a steward, preparing your kids for life without you?



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JOYFUL

in Obedience

What a gift — when a "son" or "daughter" becomes a "brother" or "sister" in Christ.



JOYFUL in Obedience

Welcome Them to the Extended Family

Matt. 12:46-50

Remind Them About What's at Stake

Mark 8:36-37

“... ‘Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?’ And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, ‘Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.’ ”

Matthew 12:48-50

English Standard Version



**“For what does it profit a man to
gain the whole world and forfeit
his soul? For what can a man
give in return for his soul?”**

Mark 8:36-37

English Standard Version





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JOYFUL

in Obedience

Will your kids become
people you enjoy being
around?



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