

Parenting
Leading Your Kids to Jesus

1. Most Christian parents assume that if their kid raised his hand in vacation Bible School, prayed a _____ prayer at home, or in any other way indicated that they were trusting in Jesus as their Savior that they are _____, headed for _____.
2. There are a lot of people who are going to stand before Jesus _____ that they are _____ and end up in _____ forever.
Matthew 7:21-23.
3. There are a lot of _____ salvations because of _____
_____ of the gospel.
4. There are a lot of _____ salvations because of a _____
_____ in coming to Christ.
5. There are a lot of _____ salvations because the person accepting Jesus didn't _____ what they were _____.
6. There are a lot of pseudo salvations because all of us have a _____
_____, especially those who are lost. **Jeremiah 17:9.**
7. If our kids ever _____ their _____ don't try and convince them that they are already saved, lead them to Jesus _____.
8. If our son or daughter is _____ again there will be _____ of their salvation that you, the parent will be able to see, look for that evidence, don't be naïve. **2 Corinthians 13:5; Hebrews 6:9.**

9. We are not saved by _____, but if we are _____ born again we will have a _____ life and good works will _____.
Titus 2:11-15; Ephesians 2:8-9, 10; Romans 10:9-10.
10. If our kid is genuinely born again they will have is a growing _____ for a _____ life.¹ **John 2:2-6.**
11. When our son or daughter trusts Christ, the Holy Spirit _____ their heart, and one of the results is a _____ heart, a truly born-again person will _____ over their sin. **John 16:8; Hebrews 9:14, 10:22.**
12. Once we are _____ saved we can't _____ our salvation, but if we aren't _____ saved we will fall away.
Hebrews 2:1, 3:6, 12-14; 1 John 2:19; Matthew 24:11-13; 2 Timothy 4:7.
13. If you see your son or daughter start to _____ away from the Lord or get _____, don't assume it is just the summer _____.
14. Maintain a holy _____ that your child may be _____ and that they might not _____ be saved and headed for heaven.
Hebrews 4:1-2.
15. Teach your children the _____ in detail, and how to get _____.
16. One of the reasons "Christians" don't _____ and aren't even inclined to is because they aren't really _____.
17. Teach your kids _____ to _____ someone to _____.

1. A super important principle to teach our kids is, when we thank the Lord for our trials because we **trust** Him to do only what is best for us, we **grow** strong and in the character of Jesus, but if we **grumble** we will have to go through the trials again.

2. A good question to ask is “how did you **respond** to that **problem**, disappointment, or **trial**?”

3. Another good question is “Why do you think we should **consider** **trials** good?”

4. Another good question to ask is, “Which of the **reasons** for **trials** do you think you are **experiencing**?”

5. We need to teach our kids how to **respond** to **disappointments**, problems, and **trials**.

Phil 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

Phil 2:14-15 Do all things without grumbling or disputing; that you may prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,

James 1:2-4 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

6. Very few **adults** do **well** at responding well to **trials**.

7. In the midst of their trials it is important to teach them that we don't have to **act** the way we **feel**.

8. Teach your kids to ask God for strength and peace whenever they are stressed.

Heb 4:16 Let us therefore draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and may find grace to help in time of need.

9. Dear Lord, please help me to be strong and act in a way that pleases You.

10. If we can teach our kids how to respond to difficulties correctly they will grow rapidly all of their life.

11. None of this will make sense if we don't teach our kids what is the ultimate purpose of life.

12. The ultimate purpose in life is to grow in character to be like Jesus as much as possible so that when we get to heaven He will enjoy us and we will enjoy Him.

2 Timothy 2:22 Now flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love *and* peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

Philippians 3:12–14 Not that I have already obtained *it* or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

13. What and who we are in character the moment we step into eternity is what and who we are for eternity.

Psalm 90:12 So teach us to number our days, That we may present to You a heart of wisdom.

1 Timothy 6:11–12 But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance *and* gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

2 Peter 1:3–11 seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious

and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust. Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in *your* moral excellence, knowledge, and in *your* knowledge, self-control, and in *your* self-control, perseverance, and in *your* perseverance, godliness, and in *your* godliness, brotherly kindness, and in *your* brotherly kindness, love. For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he who lacks these *qualities* is blind *or* short-sighted, having forgotten *his* purification from his former sins. Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

14. If we think that God will **fix** our character flaws and immaturity when we get to **heaven** it takes away all the **purpose** for trials in life, and then grumbling will be the natural result.

15. Most people think that one of God's **jobs** is to make our life **comfortable** and take away trials and pain, and when He doesn't they get **bitter** and **angry** at God.

16. A good motto for tough people is, "Life is **hard**, it is supposed to be, but **heaven** is wonderful, especially if I am like **Jesus**."

17. The number one reason kids don't learn this in their families is because of the **bad example** that their **parents** are.