

Ultimate Parenting

Start the Ultimate Relationship

1 God the Ultimate Parent

¹⁴For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵from whom all fatherhood in heaven and on earth derives its name. Ephesians 3:14-15



a God is God, therefore our children are not God

b Our children work out their view of God from their view of us

c God's purpose for people shapes our purpose as parents

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Genesis 1:26-28

d God's Character



2 Our rebellion and our children's rebellion

3 God judges justly and expects us to judge justly

¹²I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, who will come from your own body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with the rod of men, with floggings inflicted by men. ¹⁵But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever.'"
2 Samuel 7:12-16



4 God's love in Jesus

⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.
1 John 4:9-10



5 God raises Jesus from the dead: more to life than materialism



6 Ultimate Parenting?

