



At the heart of our vision is the desire to build bridges and build family. This resource is intended to be a tool that would help facilitate you, the spiritual leader of your family, to grow and develop your children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. While not exhaustive, our prayer is that it would give you a place to start in effort to better steward your role as mom or dad.

What follows is a four-day devotional that loosely follows our Sunday sermon series. It includes a passage to read, a prompt or two to discuss together, and a prayer to offer in response to your time. These efforts are simply offered as helpful direction. Feel the freedom to adjust, shift, or redirect the focus as best fits the few moments you take with your kids before bedtime, after dinner, or whenever you choose to lead them in God's Word.

Day 1

Passage: Read 1 Timothy 1:1-2

Younger Prompt: How does Paul refer to Timothy? What does this reveal about their relationship?

Older Prompt: What kind of authority does Paul have? How do the opening verses speak to his role in God's kingdom?

Pray: Lord, thank you for the writings of Paul in Scripture and for the direction he sets for us, through your Spirit. Help us to listen *and* follow them.

Day 2

Passage: Read 1 Timothy 1:3-5

Younger Prompt: What did Paul urge Timothy to do in Ephesus (vs. 3)? What does he say his aim is in s. 5?

Older Prompt: Why does Paul not want Timothy to get caught up in myths and endless genealogies? How can these things distract from the aim they ought to have?

Pray: Lord, keep us focused on the aim of love that comes from the Gospel. Help us to not be distracted by strange teachings that have little significance..

Day 3

Passage: Read 1 Timothy 1:6-7

Younger Prompt: What are certain people swerving from in this passage? What are they wandering into?

Older Prompt: How do we get distracted and wander away from sound doctrine? How important is clear understanding in the things of God as we defend against such wanderings?

Pray: Lord, thank you for the blessing of good overseers. Help our parents, elders, and pastors as they lead us in righteousness.

Day 4

Passage: 1 Timothy 1:8-11

Younger Prompt: Is the law good? Who is it for and how must it be used in order to be considered good?

Older Prompt: How is the law used lawfully in accordance with the gospel? How would you explain the relationship between the law and the good news (gospel) of Jesus?

Pray: Lord, we recognize that we are not good. In fact, we are sinners. Thank you for dying in our place and freeing us from our sin debt in order that we may now live unto you.