

The 8 Secrets of Successful Parenting

Modeling

Open Communication

Time

Intimacy

V *ision*

Affirmation

Training

Entrust

Vision

THE LAW OF VISION:

Vision gives direction.

Proverbs 29:18 – ...without vision, the people perish.

Vision

Ephesians 2:10 – For we are His *workmanship* created in Christ Jesus for *good works* which **God prepared beforehand** so that we would walk in them.

Vision

- Vision inspires.
- The grander the vision, the greater is the motivation and willingness to sacrifice.

Vision

- Vision impacts present choices.
- Present choices impact the future.
- Clarity of Vision enables evaluation and improvement

Vision

- Choices have consequences.
- They are free to choose but not free to escape the consequences of their decisions.

Vision

- Expect the best. Do not just see them as they are but see what they can become in Christ.
- Be a dream-releaser.



VISION

“Begin with the end in mind”

“Vision impacts direction”

**“Direction determines destination
not intention.”**

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What is God’s vision for your life and your family? Write it down.**
- 2. Is what you are doing now contributing to God’s overall vision for your life and family?**
- 3. How will you help your children, loved ones, and disciples develop and fulfill God’s vision for their lives?**

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THE LAW OF AFFIRMATION:

Positive words impact us positively.

Negative words impact us negatively.

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Proverbs 18:21

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Affirmation

Ephesians 4:29

Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

Affirmation

Mark 1:11

...and a voice came out of the heavens: “You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased.”

Affirmation

Hebrews 3:13

But encourage one another day after day ...

DEVELOP A DETECTIVE'S EYE

- **FOCUS ON CHARACTER TRAITS THAT YOU WANT DEVELOP**
- **DON'T WAIT FOR PERFECTION**
- **AFFIRM PROGRESS**
- **AFFIRM WITH WORDS**
- **MORE AFFIRMATION VS CORRECTIONS**

Be Affirming!

- **Affirm through Unconditional Love**
- **Affirm Christ-like Character**
- **Affirm through Words and Affection**
- **Affirm Progress don't wait for perfection**
- **Affirm in correction – Sandwich Approach**

Affirmation

Use the **“Sandwich”**
to Affirm when Correcting

Principle to Practice:
5 Compliments for every Correction

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How can you improve on the area of affirmation?**
- 2. How can you affirm your loved ones today?**
- 3. Affirm 3 things about your spouse**