

A Masterpiece of Faith

1 Timothy 4:8-10

INTRODUCTION

A parent's prayer –

My child is a gift from you God, and I lift them up to you. Help me to spend time training them in godliness, so that the benefits they reap will be more than this earth has to offer. I promise that I will raise them, to the best of my ability, in faith and with an understanding of you, Father.

When you actively seek to give your children the basics to faith in Jesus, they can begin to create their masterpiece of faith.

HELPING YOUR CHILDREN CREAT A MASTERPIECE OF FAITH

1. **Give your children an**_____.

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

- John 16:33

"Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it." - Michelangelo

Every child has a measure of faith, a potential to grow in their understanding of God's promise.

2. **Teach your children how to**_____.

Even those children who will become the most masterful artists of the coming generation begin with paint-by-number sheets and coloring books.

3. **Help your children see that**_____.

"Faith! It's all about believing. You don't know how it will happen. But you know that it will." - Anonymous

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." - Hebrews 11:1

The greatest part about walking in faith is that your faith in God will *always eventually* produce what He has promised for you!

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

- Proverbs 22:6

4. **Continue to see the**_____.

"Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come. This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it. This is why we work hard and continue to struggle, for our hope is in the living God, who is the Savior of all people and particularly of all believers."

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