



**THE CHRISTIAN HOME, PART THREE:
GODLY PARENTING**
Ephesians 6:4

1. _____ **Sanity**

When raising your children, make sure you remember that you're the adult in the room. Escalating provocation does nothing to maintain peace in the home or teach peace to your children.

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ~ James 3:17

2. _____ **Maturity**

There is a trajectory that children must be on and parents must target—real maturity. Parents who want to maintain their children in a state of perpetual dependence will ultimately harm their kids.

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ~ Colossians 1:28

3. _____ **Godliness**

Through discipline and admonition a parent must promote godliness into their children's life and experience. Other trainings might have some benefit, but training your kids toward a godly life holds lasting significance.

For while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come. ~ 1 Timothy 4:8

HEBREWS 12:9

BESIDES THIS, WE HAVE HAD EARTHLY FATHERS WHO DISCIPLINED US AND WE RESPECTED THEM. SHALL WE NOT MUCH MORE BE SUBJECT TO THE FATHER OF SPIRITS AND LIVE?



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Additional Scripture References

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**Proverbs 22:6**

*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

**Luke 2:27**

*And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law...*

**2 Corinthians 12:14**

*Here for the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be a burden, for I seek not what is yours but you. For children are not obligated to save up for their parents, but parents for their children.*

**Colossians 3:21**

*Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.*

**Deuteronomy 6:6-7**

*And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.*

**Proverbs 13:24**

*Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline him.*