

A wise son brings joy to his father,
but a foolish son brings grief to his mother (**Proverbs 10:1**).

Train up a child in the way he [or she] should go;
even when he is old he will not depart from it [**Proverbs 22:6 ESV**].

[God] decreed statutes for Jacob
and established the law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach their children,
so the next generation would know them,
even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children.
Then they would put their trust in God
and would not forget his deeds
but would keep his commands (**Psalms 78:5-7**).

1. We must know and act on truth ourselves.

Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice (**Philippians 4:9**).

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ (**1 Corinthians 11:1**).

2. We must know God and pursue him with the totality of our lives.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone (**Deuteronomy 6:4**).

3. We must communicate truth out of the natural flow of life.
4. We must finish well.

- Pray.
- Rest.
- Confess.
- Continue.