

<sup>1</sup>Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra. A disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. <sup>2</sup>He was well spoken of by the brothers at Lystra and Iconium. <sup>3</sup>Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

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<sup>4</sup>As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. <sup>5</sup>So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily. <sup>6</sup>And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia.  
—Acts 16:1-6 ESV

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<sup>3</sup>I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

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<sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup>for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.  
—2 Timothy 1:3-7 ESV

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## Important!

Growing up in a Christian home does not...

- qualify us for the Kingdom apart from personal repentance and faith—it does not promise conversion.
- assure that children will not stray—it does not prevent rebellion.

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## What is Our First Mission Field?

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“Discipleship is a life-on-life experience.”

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<sup>4</sup>“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup>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.”

—Deuteronomy 6:4-7 ESV

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<sup>20</sup>“When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the LORD our God has commanded you?’ <sup>21</sup>then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

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<sup>22</sup>And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. <sup>23</sup>And He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in and give us the land that He swore to give to our fathers.

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<sup>24</sup>And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as we are this day. <sup>25</sup>And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as He has commanded us.”

—Deuteronomy 6:20-25 ESV

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“The light that shines the farthest shines the brightest at home.”

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How Can You Be a  
“Missional” Parent?

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How Can You Be a “Missional” Parent?  
Modeling

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“sincere faith” —2 Timothy 1:5

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How Can You Be a “Missional” Parent?  
Nurturing

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Three Essentials of Spiritual Nurture  
1. Reading 2. Praying 3. Singing

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<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it  
<sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the Sacred Writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. —2 Timothy 3:14-15 ESV

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## How Can You Be a “Missional” Parent? Evangelizing

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“...able to make you wise for  
salvation” —2 Timothy 3:15 ESV

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<sup>13</sup>And they were bringing children to Him that He might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw it, He was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to Me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. <sup>15</sup>Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” <sup>16</sup>And He took them in His arms and blessed them, laying His hands on them. —Mark 10:13-16 ESV

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## What Does a Child Need to Understand to Be Saved?

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Children and adults alike  
must understand...

- the consequence of sin.
- the commitment of faith.

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## We are Without Christ (Condemned in Sin)

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<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly... <sup>8</sup>but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

—Romans 5:6, 8 ESV

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Christ Died For Us  
(Redeemed by Grace)

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<sup>3</sup>...“Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.” —Matthew 18:3-4 ESV

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How Can You Be a “Missional” Parent?  
Equipping

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<sup>16</sup>All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

—2 Timothy 3:16-17 ESV

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