

How to Develop the Parent

Discipleship Ministry in Your Church

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Tools to Consider:

BiblicalParenting.org

for books, small group resources, other parent training tools

ThrivingKidsConnection.com

An online community for parent discipleship. Ongoing training for coaches and parents using a heart-based approach.

BiblicalParentingUniversity.com

Classes for parents to take at their own pace. Churches can obtain a site license.

BiblicalParenting.org/Coach

Become trained as a biblical parenting coach.

BiblicalParenting.org/THRIVE

12 sessions family training video experience. For individual families or church small groups.

Host a live seminar

Have Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller come to your church and energize your parent ministry.

Create a Vision for Parent Discipleship

#1 Jesus' Discipleship Mandate (Matthew 28:19-20)#2 Parents are Commissioned (Deut 6:6-9, Eph 6:1-3)#3 The Heart is Crucial (1 Samuel 16:7)

Practical Ways to Get Started

- 1. We disciple parents
- 2. Our leaders value parent ministry
- 3. We have a parenting resource person
- 4. We offer several methods of support
- 5. Parents are offered multiple onramps
- 6. We use parent training as an outreach to the community
- 7. We use a biblical approach

Four Elements of Family Ministry

- 1. Involve parents in existing children and youth programs
- 2. Train and disciple parents to increase their parenting effectiveness
- 3. Provide intergenerational opportunities to learn, worship, and serve together
- 4. Equip parents to be spiritual trainers in their own homes

First Steps

- 1. Choose a parenting resource person
- 2. Build a parent resource team
- 3. Identify interested parents
- 4. Establish communication tools

Notes:

Implementing Structures

- · Email parenting tips
- Small groups
- Preaching
- Family Nights
- Mentoring
- Devotion training
- · Live seminar
- Book reviews
- Biblical Parenting University
- Family event
- Prayer Team

Overcoming Roadblocks