

Article 05 – For Parents

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Raising Kingdom Minded Children

The world teaches your children to ask, “*What do I want?*” God teaches them to ask, “*What does He want?*”

In today’s culture of selfies, personal brands, and viral fame, our children are subtly taught that life revolves around *them*. But Scripture tells a different story, one where God is at the center and we find our purpose in serving His kingdom.

As parents, our calling is to raise children who live not for themselves, but for Christ. To help them see that their gifts, their passions, their opportunities, they’re all tools for a greater purpose.

Matthew 6:33 reminds us: “*But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*”

When your children seek God’s kingdom first, everything else falls into its rightful place.

Helping Kids Think Beyond Themselves

1. **Encourage service:** Involve your family in acts of kindness, visiting a neighbor, donating clothes, or serving at church. Let them feel the joy of giving. Service is a critical thing that must be enforced in our children.
2. **Shift the spotlight:** Instead of always asking, “What did you achieve?” ask, “Who did you help today?”
3. **Pray with purpose:** Pray together for people in need, missionaries, or the persecuted church. Expand their prayer life beyond their personal desires.
4. **Tell Kingdom stories:** Share biographies of missionaries, evangelists, and everyday believers who lived for God’s mission.
5. **Live sent:** Let your home carry a mission-minded atmosphere where your children know they’re part of something eternal.

Raising kingdom-minded kids doesn’t happen by accident. It happens when we show them the joy of living for something far greater than themselves.

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