**Connecting with Your Kids**

Proverbs 1:7-9, 22:6

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**Proverbs 1:8 (ESV)**Hear, my son, your father’s instruction, and forsake not your mother’s teaching,

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***Three wise decisions moms and dads can make …***

1. ***We can dedicate our children to the Lord.***

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**1 Kings 8:63 (ESV)**Solomon offered as peace offerings to the Lord 22,000 oxen and 120,000 sheep. So the king and all the people of Israel dedicated the house of the Lord.

**1 Samuel 1:27 (ESV)**For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition that I made to Him.

**1 Samuel 1:28 (ESV)**Therefore I have lent him to the Lord. As long as he lives, he is lent to the Lord.” And he worshiped the Lord there.

1. ***We can train our children to obey the Lord.***

**Proverbs 22:6 (ESV)**Train up a child in the way he should go …

**Proverbs 29:17 (ESV)**Discipline your son, and he will give you rest; he will give delight to your heart.

1. ***We can encourage our children to honor the Lord.***

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**1 Kings 11:4 (ESV)**For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other gods, and his heart was not wholly true to the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father.

**1 Kings 11:6 (ESV)**So Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the Lord and did not wholly follow the Lord, as David his father had done.

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**1 Peter 4:8 (ESV)**Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.