PARENTING with a WISE HEART

SCRIPTURE MEMORY CARDS

These Memory, Tidbit and Parenting Tip cards have been designed to be printed on Avery 8371 business card stock. Having them in card form allows you to carry them with you wherever you go.

CHAPTER ONE SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Romans 12:1-2 (MSG)

"Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you."

CHAPTER THREE SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE Isaiah 33:6 (NIV)

"He (God) will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the Lord is the key to this treasure."

CHAPTER FIVE SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE James 3:9-10 (MSG)

"With our tongues we bless God our Father; with the same tongues we curse the very men and women he made in his image. Curses and blessings out of the same mouth! My friends, this can't go on."

INTRODUCTION SESSION SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Ps. 103.13 (MSG)

As parents feel for their children, GOD feels for those who fear him.

CHAPTER TWO SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE Hebrews 13:7 (NLT)

"Remember your leaders who taught you the word of God. Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and follow the example of their faith."

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CHAPTER FOUR SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE Proverbs 14:22 (NLT)

"If you plan to do evil, you will be lost; if you plan to do good, you will receive unfailing love and faithfulness."

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CHAPTER SIX SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE Joshua 24:15 (NLT)

"...But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord."

INTRODUCTION SESSION TIDBIT

"Parents can only give good advice or put a child on the right path but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands."

Anne Frank

CHAPTER TWO TIDBIT

"Christian leaders should act differently than those in the secular world. They should treat their workers (children) differently, they should view their mission in a different light, and they should be driven by different motivations. Since the leader is the keeper of the culture, it falls on his or her shoulders to cultivate a culture that is distinctly Christian. The values and beliefs that the leader holds usu- ally become the assumptions of the followers. That puts a great deal of responsibility on the shoulders of leadership."

Hans Finzel 1

CHAPTER FOUR TIDBIT

"Dreams crash the confines of what is and what has been. As our minds dare to see the unseen, our imagination fuels our faith and we begin to trust God for something more."

Alicia Chole 3

CHAPTER SIX TIDBIT

"Making your home a place of open communication and independent thinking as well as a safe place to make mistakes and test ideas is your responsibility as a parent."

Sharon Hersh 5

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TIDBITS

CHAPTER ONE TIDBIT

"The truly exciting part of following Jesus is that He never sends you into any situation with a faulty plan or a plan to fail. Because of who He is, when Jesus speaks on a subject He guides us in a path that is in harmony with the molecular structure of the universe. When He speaks on leadership, He speaks to us of what is both right and effective."

Ken Blanchard and Phil Hodges 2

CHAPTER THREE TIDBIT

"Leading God's people is a high and holy calling. Though it is a glorious privilege, it carries with it a stronger possibility of judgment from God. It is especially crucial for preachers (parents) and teachers to exercise their calling with all diligence, integrity, and personal holiness. Leaders are indeed held to a higher standard before God, "To whom much is given, much is required."

Gregory Frizzell 4

CHAPTER FIVE TIDBIT

"When two people are in harmony with one another they are said to be in communion; there is a oneness between them. There is open, unclouded interaction. This sort of clear communication brings enormous pleasure and benefit to both parties. It generates goodwill, develops deep, abiding friendship, and fosters powerful faith between the two people."

Phillip W. Keller 6

INTRODUCTION SESSION SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

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Parenting Tips

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CHAPTER ONE: Reading to your child can being when your baby is very young. They love to be held, rocked and hear your voice. Busy parents read aloud to their babies from their iPad, a textbook, the newspaper, or the latest book they are reading. Babies do not care! The big point at this time is to get yourself into the routine of sitting with your child in your arms, being together every day. When your baby is really little this is a great time for you to get some reading accomplished that you need for another purpose.

CHAPTER TWO: Children love learning when it is fun! What 'big people' do usually looks like fun to kids. The adaptations you make that allow your children to participate in your activities will strengthen the bond between you as you enjoy the fun together. We have pictures of my nephew with his little plastic lawn mower following behind my dad as he mowed the lawn. My memories of 'baking' with my daughters are filled with fun and accomplishment.

CHAPTER THREE: Three basic beliefs all children should have...

God has put my parents in charge, they will not allow me to:

- 1. Hurt others
- 2. Hurt myself
- 3. Destroy property

CHAPTER FOUR: While getting ready for bed or before prayers and story time, you might want to ask two different but similar questions. A good conversation starter is, "What was your favorite part of the day?" Next, ask if there was the chance for a "do-over, or to change something, what would you do?

(This helps children become thinkers; they don't just tell you what they like least, they learn to review and evaluate their thoughts and actions during the day. Especially when you first catch them making evaluations, praise their progress.)

CHAPTER FIVE: The 'Sandwich Approach' helps those in conflict with each other explain the worth of their relationship and the the problem causing a difficulty. A statement of the problem or situation that needs to be addressed is 'sandwiched' between two statements that describe the value of the relationship. If your children are so angry that they are having a difficult time coming up with loving statements, have them work together. Tell them their assignment is to write down one sentence that truthfully describes the problem they are having. When they agree on what the problem is, have them try again to sandwich it between two positive comments about their relationship.

CHAPTER SIX: Delightful teachable moments can happen for parents and their children when they do repairs together on the items they own. These moments open the door for discussing preventive maintenance. As you discuss with your children the importance of keeping a possession or a home maintained, you have the perfect opportunity to discuss decisions that owners make. That will allow conversation to develop about being the owner of your own life.