
Course outline:

Week 1 – God’s Purpose for the Family

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Week 11 – Children, Technology & Social Media

Week 12 – The Gospel and the Overzealous Parent

Christian Life – Parenthood**Week 12****Conclusion:
The Gospel & the Overzealous Parent****▪ Introduction****○ Where we’ve been...****○ The question:**

Is being a Christian parent a tremendously important, comprehensive, often-difficult job that requires great resolve and discipline and self-sacrifice, or are we putting too much pressure on ourselves?

▪ The answer: It’s a false dichotomy...

“Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain.”
–Ps . 127:1.

**As parents and caregivers, we work with all our hearts—
but ultimately rest in God’s perfect and sovereign care.**

▪ **To rest in God's grace and care, seven "don'ts":**

○ **Don't miss it**

○ **Don't be hypercritical**

○ **Don't be surprised by disobedience**

○ **Don't assume you know how they'll turn out**

○ **Don't fear**

○ **Don't pretend you have it all together**

○ **Don't be only "transcendent"**