

“Giving Hope...Surrender to the Work of God”

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*“Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim His salvation day after day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and joy in His dwelling place. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength, **ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name (bolding added)**. Bring an offering and come before Him; worship the LORD in the splendor of His Holiness.”* (I Chronicles 16:23-29)

Story #1: When a Child Leads You

“Joash was seven years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem forty years. His mother’s name was Zibiah; she was from Beersheba. Joash did what was right in the eyes of the LORD all the years of Jehoiada the priest.
(II Chronicles 24:1-2).

- God calls adults AND children to do His work
- Children often lead parents into _____ behavior

Story #2: When Your Children Fulfill Your Vision

“Listen to me, my brothers and my people. I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, for the footstool of our God, and I made plans to build it.

But God said to me, ‘You are not to build a house for My Name, because you are a warrior and have shed blood.’”
(I Chronicles 28:2-3)

- God-Sized vision starts in the _____, but it doesn’t stay there!
- Our vision for our family is often _____ through our children.

“So now I charge you in the sight of all Israel and of the assembly of the LORD, and in the hearing of our God: Be careful to follow all the commands of the LORD your God, that you may possess this good land and pass it on as an inheritance to your descendants forever. And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve Him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches every heart and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will reject you forever. Consider now, for the LORD has chosen you to build a temple as a sanctuary. Be strong and do the work.” (I Chronicles 28:8-10)

_____ into your children is part of what great parenting is all about! (verses 9-10).

A God-sized vision calls for a _____ response!

Two Quotes from In a Pit With a Lion On a Snowy Day.. (by Mark Batterson)

1. You know what the greatest tragedy in life is? It is someone whose god gets smaller and smaller with each passing day.
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2. God wants you to get where God wants you to go more than you want to get where God wants you to go. - page 30