

# Winning the War for Your Child's Heart

## How do we win the war for our child's heart?

### #1 – Be the model your kids need.

Way more is caught than taught.

### #2 – Draw close to Jesus with your kids.

Build a routine of meeting with God in His Word together.

Ask questions that help them see God in their day.

Spend time with Jesus in prayer.

Connect them to community that loves Jesus.

Serve Jesus together.

### #3 – Teach them to obey Jesus.

Have a few principles, not a lot of rules.

Point to Jesus with “the why.”

Reward obedience.

Discipline disobedience.

### #4 – Be close to your kids.

Be interested in their interests.

Build routines of quality time together.

Give experiences, not stuff.

### #5 – Pray for your kids like their souls depend on it.

Let your daily Bible reading lead your prayers for your kids.

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## **Build a routine of meeting with God in His Word together.**

Read God's Word together but don't feel like you have to lead a Bible study.

Read God's Word together more than devotionals.

Read God's Word in ways that work with your kid's ages.

Read a Bible passage and then ask them what God is trying to teach us.

Let the older kids teach the younger.

## **Spend time with Jesus in prayer.**

Thanks

Confession

Ask God

## **Discipline disobedience.**

It needs to be motivated by love.

It needs to be explained.

It needs to be painful.

It needs to be consistent.

It needs to be for sin.

## **What are practical steps to building a close relationship.**

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Give experiences, not stuff.