

DESPERATE CHILDREN

Matthew 18:1-10

I. Children are remarkable.

*Sons are a heritage from the LORD,
children a reward from him. Psalm 127:3*

They are the "greatest." Matthew 18:1-3

II. Children are valuable.

*And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name
welcomes me. Matthew 18:5*

III. Children are vulnerable.

*But if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe
in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large
millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in
the depths of the sea. Matthew 18:6*

IV. Children are impressionable.

*See that you do not look down on one of these little
ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always
see the face of my Father in heaven. Matthew 18:10*

7 Words of Wisdom:

1. Don't foil them by spoiling them.

Proverbs 22:6

2. The spiritual trumps the physical.

Proverbs 16:16 Proverbs 31:30 1Timothy 4:8

3. Discipline them or destroy them.

Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:15; 23:13-14; 29:15

4. Love is spelled T I M E.

Psalm 78:2-4 Ephesians 6:4

5. Church is not an option.

Hebrews 10:25

6. Be devoted to the dinner table.

Proverbs 13:10 Proverbs 16:20 Deuteronomy 6:4-9

7. Model Christ...No mixed messages.

Proverbs 14:26 Hebrews 12:2 Matthew 6:33

CALLING ALL CHILDREN:

*Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
2"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first
commandment with a promise— 3"that it may go well
with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."
Ephesians 6:1-3*

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