

# The Power of Christian Parenting

Ephesians 6:4

*How the book of Ephesians is organized—*

Chapters 1-3: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapters 4-6: \_\_\_\_\_

*Children flourish in faith when Christian fathers and mothers lead...*

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## FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. What do you think the goal of parenting is? Is it different than what God says is the goal of parenting? If you are a parent, does how you parent match what you say is your goal in parenting?
2. Why is this passage on parenting only useful for Christians? Why can't a non-Christian use this passage to become a better parent? What do you think of the phrase "you cannot pass on what you do not possess"?
3. Take a moment to identify who the children are in your life that God has called you to engage in the work of raising to know Him. Once you have them identified, share what you are doing to help these little ones know God better. Identify one additional thing you can start doing, and share how you plan on doing it.
4. How are the roles of Christian fathers and Christian mothers the same in how they are to raise their children to know God? How are they different? Does this affect you? How are you doing at filling that role?
5. How is the job of a Christian parent similar to the job of a Christian aunt, or Christian uncle, or Christian grandparent, or Christian single person? If you do not have kids of your own, what ways can you support parents in this work? List one thing you can start doing, and share how you plan on doing it.
6. If you're not a parent, why is this passage still important? How does the command still apply to you?