



*A*s a mom, you wear so many hats: counselor, playmate, chef, taxi driver, tutor, nurse, personal shopper, laundry-keeper, lunch-packer... the list goes on and on. You're running in so many directions and doing so many things, it's easy to drown in the pool of tasks and forget a mother's ultimate purpose—to share Jesus with her children. Life as a Christian mom is to be a daily over-pouring of her own heart and personal time spent with the Lord.

In the coming days of this email challenge, we will unpack Deuteronomy 6:6-9 verse by verse. Let's take a look at this passage today as we get started:

"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

In the next five emails, Love Worth Finding challenges you to take part in learning Pastor Adrian Rogers' five ways for parents to teach God's Word to their children. Each of the five ways begins with the letter "C". We hope you enjoy the series!

*"Let me encourage you to start training your kids now, wherever you are. You can't begin too early when it comes to teaching the things of God."*

Pastor Adrian Rogers

FIVE *C*'s for Faithful  
MOMS



### Teach your children CONVINCINGLY

*Y*ou must teach your children convincingly about the Lord—because YOU are personally convinced. Your ultimate purpose as a mom is to share Jesus with your children and show them what He is like. Your life with your children is to be a daily over-pouring of your own heart and personal time spent with Jesus. You can only teach your children convincingly if you know you are convinced and if you're living your faith out daily.

Pastor Adrian Rogers said it like this: "If you don't believe it, if you don't practice it, just hang it up, you'll never teach it. Don't send them down here to Sunday school. Don't send them to the public school. Don't send them to the Christian school and think you have done your duty. It must be in your heart. You teach it convincingly, because you're convinced."

This statement takes on an entirely new meaning after a pandemic year in which normal church and school and routines have been interrupted. Now more than ever, moms are realizing they can't depend on a traditional church program to teach their children. The responsibility to teach children about the Lord starts in the HOME and begins with parents!

**TODAY'S CHALLENGE:** Get your heart right with the Lord by spending intentional time in prayer and meditating on today's verse, Deuteronomy 6:6, "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart."

**Moms**—whatever is in your heart will come out in your mothering. Live a committed and convinced life for Christ and watch it not only transform you, but also your children.

*"Do you know what your children need to see in your home? They need to see a sincere love. They need to see in you a burning, passionate, emotional, sincerity when it comes to the things of God. Kids can spot a phony a mile away, and they know whether or not you love God with all of your heart."*

Pastor Adrian Rogers

# CONSISTENTLY



## Teach your children **CONSISTENTLY**

Moms must teach their children consistently about the Lord. Another word for consistent is diligent, which means to work very hard at something over time. That is a perfect definition of motherhood, because mothering is hard work, but it is also so rewarding! All the patience, love, discipline, affection, and affirmation that goes into mothering is worth every single ounce of energy. If you are tired today, and consistency seems far out of reach for you, be encouraged. Teaching God's word consistently is achievable!

Today's verse is Deuteronomy 6:7a, "You shall teach them diligently to your children."

Teaching God's word consistently means being rooted and unchanging in your faith, fully committed to teaching God's word to your children. However, faith is not caught overnight but over time. This is encouraging to moms because it relieves the pressure of thinking that teaching children to love God's Word is something that is instantaneous. It won't happen in a couple of nights of reading Bible stories or memorizing a few verses—it takes time! So breathe... consistency is not about immediacy.

Isaiah 28:10 says your teaching needs to be "precept by precept; line upon line."

Habits aren't formed overnight. It's hard but try not to start something and quit, then start it again and quit again. Be consistent in your teaching of God's Word.

**TODAY'S CHALLENGE:** Invest in a children's Bible. Read God's word, rinse, and repeat! Finish a Bible story and come back to it again later.

Adrian Rogers encouraged parents like this: "Build truth on top of truth; teach God's Word over and over again....Don't say, 'Well I told them that. What's next?' Your children might need to hear that particular truth or exhortation again. Few, if any of us, learn everything we're supposed to the first time around."

This summer when the children are out of school you might want to try memorizing verses or passages of Scripture. You don't have to do it ALL in one day—in fact, you can't! It takes time, and God will honor your consistency!

*"The cumulative effect of 'line upon line' teaching over time—  
spiritual compound interest—is wonderful!"*

Pastor Adrian Rogers



### Teach your children **CREATIVELY**

Pastor Adrian Rogers said we must teach our children creatively about the Lord. Being convincing and consistent can be challenging while also trying to be creative in our teaching of God's Word. As a mom, there may be days when you feel more "up for" creativity than others. This is why it's important not to make your creative teaching too complicated or unrealistic to consistently maintain. Popularly called "Pinterest crafts" are fun every now and then—but today let's be practical in our approach to teaching God's Word to our kids!

Remember the purpose of creativity is not to stress you out or strain the budget, but to help your children learn more about Jesus. There are simple and affordable ways to accomplish this! Pastor Adrian Rogers said, "Use every means at your disposal. When our children were young we used Bible stories, Bible games, verse memory, songs, and Christian books to teach them." If you find a podcast, a devotional book or a scripture memory writing plan that your children like—stick with it! They won't do it if they don't like it, and you won't have fun trying to force it.

Today's verse is Deuteronomy 6:7b: "Talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

In other words, teach God's Word as you go about your normal day. Find ways to bring Jesus into your day consistently and creatively. Teaching God's word is to be both exciting and enjoyable for parents and children.

**TODAY'S CHALLENGE:** Simple suggestions for teaching your kids creatively.

1. Write your kids notes of scripture and encouragement. Leave it on their pillow or in their lunchbox. Remind them of your love and consistent prayers for them.
2. Once a week, have your children draw a picture to illustrate a Bible story you have read and ask them to write a Bible verse that fits with the story. Brag on their pictures and hang them on the fridge where they'll see them all week.
3. Consider using a prize box for rewarding children for memorizing the verses from the pictures they draw each week; perhaps you'll want to ask older children to memorize longer passages. Pastor Rogers said, "Put some motivation into it. God rewards and parents should too."

*"The problem is many homes get on a religion kick and say, 'You kids are going to learn the Bible, so sit still while I instill.' That's not the way God's word is to be taught."*

Pastor Adrian Rogers

# CONVERSATIONALLY



## Teach your children CONVERSATIONALLY

**P**astor Adrian Rogers said we must teach our children conversationally about the Lord. The Lord is faithful daily to present opportunities for God conversations, but moms must be ready and must be in the Word themselves so they can recognize opportunities, be approachable, and be sensitive to the Lord's Spirit stirring in their children's hearts!

Let's look at two verses today:

Deuteronomy 6:7: "Talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

Deuteronomy 6:20: "When your son asks you in time to come, saying, 'What is the meaning of the testimonies, the statutes, and the judgments which the Lord our God has commanded you?'"

Verse 20 says when, not if, the time comes. So, when your child gets curious and starts asking you questions about God and why you believe what you say you believe, be ready. When your child realizes Jesus has answered a prayer... when your children want to randomly re-tell you a Bible story that you have read recently—and you didn't even think they were listening—be ready! Ready with an intentional ear to listen, not a forceful tongue to answer. Maybe you haven't been so great about seeking out these opportunities in the past, but be encouraged: it's not too late! Ask the Lord today and patiently wait for Him to work.

You can teach your children now about the Lord so much easier while they are growing up under your roof—these are years of conversations you'll never get back if you wait until later. When you conversationally give the word of God away to your children, answered promises from God's Word will come right back to you and your family.

**TODAY'S CHALLENGE:** Here are some practical examples of everyday life moments with your children and ways to point the conversation back to the promises of God:

- Someone is sick in your family: God is the great healer.
- Bad dream at night: God says to cast all your worries on Him because He cares for you.
- Feeling self-conscious: You are made by God.
- Parent leaves or divorce in the home: God is a good Father and He won't leave you.
- Feeling unworthy: Jesus died on the cross for you.
- Feeling unforgivable: God always forgives when we ask Him.
- Feeling scared or nervous: You can do ALL things through Christ who gives you strength.
- Babies/toddlers not talking yet: Sing praises and speak prayers out loud over them.

*"The more of the Word of God you give away, the more of it will stick to you."*

Pastor Adrian Rogers

# CONSPICUOUSLY



## Teach your children **CONSPICUOUSLY**

Over the last several days, you have been challenged to teach God's Word to your children convincingly, consistently, creatively, and conversationally. Pastor Adrian Rogers said we must also teach our children conspicuously. Something that is conspicuous is noticeably seen and given a prominent position. This means moms must give the Word of God a place of prominence in their own hearts. If God's Word is important to you, it will be important to your children too. Post it in your home where it can be easily seen and accessed by your children. As God's Word flows naturally out of your heart and into your conversations, your kids will notice!

Today's verse is Deuteronomy 6:8-9, "You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

**TODAY'S CHALLENGE:** Go and teach God's Word to your children convincingly, consistently, creatively, conversationally, and conspicuously. Then they will know that you really believe what you say you believe, and they will believe it too!

Now that you've finished this challenge, we invite you to consider getting our Family Worship Kit, The Ten Commandments for the Home. This 10-week kit consists of brief Bible studies and fun activities designed for Dad and Mom and the whole family to enjoy. It also comes with a frame-able Ten Commandments poster you can conspicuously display in your home. [Check out this family-friendly resource today.](#)

*"The Word 'upon thine hand' reminds us that all we do is to be controlled by His Word. The Word 'between thine eyes' reminds us that all we think is to be controlled by the Word of God. The Word on your 'doorposts and gates' means to do whatever you can to make the Word of God evident in your home."*

Pastor Adrian Rogers