

THE
God-Centered
HOMESCHOOL
ONLINE SUMMIT **2.0**

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THE **God-Centered** **HOMESCHOOL** ONLINE SUMMIT **2.0**

The heat has been turning up on followers of Jesus around the world — and we're not about to hunker down in our homeschools, because ***our aim in homeschooling is raising our kids to exalt Jesus Christ***, Lord of the universe. But we're easily distracted — and only if Jesus is our foundation and focus in everything will our homeschools stand firm through the storm. So join us for the **God-Centered Homeschool 2.0: An Online Summit** — a completely free event that will help you eliminate the burden of a thousand competing “priorities” and reorient your everyday homeschooling around our great God.

***“For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.
To Him be glory forever. Amen.”
(Romans 11:36)***



Meet Your Hosts

Your hosts for Homeschool Summits meet with each speaker over video chat right at home to hear their wisdom and ask them personalized questions – essentially your own personal guides through the Summit. Get to know them a little here:



Daniel & Megan

“We’re in the throes of learning what it means to raise a family to the glory of God; as homeschool grads ourselves, we have a great burden to build on all our parents taught us as we raise our four children. We’re eager to take our passions for home education, discipleship, and the Church to impact this generation and the ones to come for Jesus Christ!”

Brandee

“My husband, Roy, and I are fourth-generation cattle ranchers, and I spend my days homeschooling my cowpoke sons, praying for them to be warriors for Christ and passionate learners. It’s my joy to speak truth with love and laughter for other parents on the same homeschooling journey!”



Todd & Jessie

“We’re committed to raising our children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, seeing the importance of strengthening future generations for the work of the Kingdom. We’ve been homeschooling our 8 children for the past 21 years, and Todd also serves as a pastor of our local church.”



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Samaritan's Purse Cissie Graham

Kickoff Keynote



War of the Worldviews: Why It's Not Enough to Just Do School at Home

Things to Learn:

- Understand the founding, structure, and aim of the public school system
- Realize that education is not neutral
- How to talk with your kids about what is happening in our culture

Takeaways:

- If you want to shape a nation, the best way to do it is to get to the hearts of their children.
- The job of the government has never been to educate children.
- If you think that your children do not see what is happening in the culture, you misunderstand the depths that the adversary will take to attack the hearts of your kids.
- You can catch up on math, but you can't catch up on training your children in righteousness.
- God has given you a precious responsibility, and that is to help your children see the world through the lens of scripture and know who God is.
- Homeschooling is every bit as much about the parents as it is about the kids: sanctifying!
- Long after you're done homeschooling, the relationships that you build will remain, and that is precious!

Recommended Resources:

- FirmlyPlantedFamily.com
- FaiththatSpeaks.com
- HeidiStJohn.net
 - *Mom Strong*, *The Mouse and the Sea*, and other books
 - Heidi St. John Podcast
 - Faith That Speaks Monthly Bible Study



HEIDI ST. JOHN

*Heidi St. John is the author of nine books, including *Becoming MomStrong: How to Fight with All That's in You for Your Family and Your Faith* and its corresponding *Becoming MomStrong Bible Study*, as well as her latest, *MomStrong 365: A One Year Devotional to Encourage and Empower Everyday Moms* and her first children's book *The Mouse and the Sea with Brave Books*. Her podcast, "Off the Bench with Heidi St. John," has been downloaded over 24 million times, and you can join her community of women studying the Word in monthly Bible studies at FaiththatSpeaks.com.*

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



What is God Up To? Being a God-Centered Family, No Matter What

Things to Learn:

- Recognize the presence of God amidst hardship
- Ideas for engaging the whole family in a God-centered lifestyle
- Tactics for the fight against the spirit of fear and anxiety

Takeaways:

- God is systematically stripping away every idol we worship.
- God is sovereign, in control, and using all things to work together for good; we can either drown in the ways of the world or get out our surfboards of the Gospel and surf the waves!
- Sometimes, you have to get back on your knees again and again and keep wrestling in prayer until you feel His peace.
- Fear often is a fantasy that hasn't happened; fear is faith in evil.

Recommended Resources:

- [KendrickBrothers.com](https://www.kendrickbrothers.com) for films, books, and devotionals

Notes:



STEPHEN KENDRICK
Kendrick Brothers

After serving in church ministry for 20 years, Stephen Kendrick now writes, speaks, and produces Christian films with his brothers Alex and Shannon.

Stephen produced and co-wrote the movies The Forge, War Room, Overcomer, Courageous, Fireproof, and Facing the Giants. In 2021, Show Me the Father was released, their first feature-length documentary, for which he served as an executive producer and writer. Their newest film, The Forge, was released by Sony Pictures on August 23, 2024.

Along with his brother Alex, Stephen co-wrote the New York Times bestselling books The Love Dare, The Resolution for Men, and The Battle Plan for Prayer. He has been interviewed on "Fox & Friends," CNN, and ABC World News Tonight. He serves on the boards of the Fatherhood CoMission and the Christian Worldview Film Festival. Stephen and his wife, Jill, live in Albany, GA, with their six children and are active members at Sherwood Church.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



God-Centered Lessons My Parents Taught Me

Things to Learn:

- Why faith is foundational
- Discover the significance of passing your faith to your children
- Evaluating the different gifts the Lord has given each parent

Takeaways:

- Most good teaching is as much caught as it is taught.
- Leave behind the inheritance of a storehouse of prayers at the throne of grace — that is worth more than all the gold and silver in the world.
- You need physical food every day — and that means you definitely need spiritual food too!
- Your children will pick up the reverence and earnestness of your prayers.
- There is an attitude of entitlement everywhere within our culture; we want to foster a spirit of contentment in everything instead.

Recommended Resources

- *Leading Little Ones to God* by Marian Doctrine
- *Family Worship Bible Guide* by Dr. Joel Beeke
- *Friends and Lovers* by Dr. Joel Beeke
- *Parenting by God's Promises: How to Raise Your Children in the Covenant of Grace* by Dr. Joel Beeke
- Heritagebooks.org

Notes:



DR. JOEL BEEKE

Puritan Reformed
Theological Seminary

Dr. Joel R. Beeke is president and professor of systematic theology and homiletics at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary, a pastor of the Heritage Reformed Congregation in Grand Rapids, MI, editor of Puritan Reformed Journal and Banner of Sovereign Grace Truth, and editorial director of Reformation Heritage Books. He has written and co-authored one hundred books, edited another one hundred books, and contributed 2,500 articles to reformed books, journals, periodicals, and encyclopedias. His Ph.D. is in Reformation and Post-Reformation Theology from Westminster Theological Seminary (Philadelphia). He is frequently called upon to lecture at seminaries and speak at Reformed conferences around the world. He and his wife, Mary, have been blessed with three children and ten grandchildren.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



The Power of a Poured-Out Life

Things to Learn:

- How to live a poured-out life
- Finding the balance between serving others and focusing on our own needs
- Discover creative ideas for spending time with the Lord

Takeaways:

- Sometimes, we pitch a tent and say, “This is what I’m doing – nothing else!” But God calls us to be open to His changes.
- Don’t fill your life up with so much busyness and noise that you aren’t willing to hear the cries of the weak and the vulnerable.
- The grace of God isn’t just His favor; it’s also the enabling power He gives us to do what He needs us to do. God’s grace is an endless treasure trove.
- I’m too busy NOT to pray and NOT to spend time with God!
- Keeping an eternal focus, investing in the souls of others, and sharing the Gospel with our lives will last for eternity.

Recommended Resources:

- *My Utmost for His Highest* by Oswald Chambers
- *Streams in the Desert* by Lettie Cowman
- Ellerslie.com
- Setapartmotherhood.com

Notes:



LESLIE LUDY

Ellerslie and Set Apart
Motherhood

Leslie Ludy is a bestselling author and speaker with a passion for helping women become set apart for Christ. Leslie has spoken to hundreds of thousands of women over the past 25 years. Her core message of complete surrender to Christ in every area of life has inspired today's Christian women to exchange mediocrity for a thriving spiritual life that impacts others for God's glory. Leslie is the host of the popular Set Apart Girl Podcast and founder of the Set Apart Girl Magazine, which inspires women of all ages toward Christ-centered femininity. Her annual Set Apart Conference reaches several thousand women around the world each year. Leslie's bestselling books for women include Authentic Beauty, Set-Apart Femininity, and The Set-Apart Woman.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



Keeping the Refrigerator Full

Things to Learn:

- Recognize the obstacles we face in receiving God's love
- Why we can't give without being filled
- Understand how Jesus was prepared to be a loving Savior

Takeaways:

- Our relationship with Christ impacts our relationship with others.
- In the providence of God, we have to learn on the job.
- You can't give something you haven't received; if you don't have it in the refrigerator, you can't give it to them.
- When you let God love you, then you'll want to share His love and grace with others because you have fully experienced it.
- In the process of dying, you find life.

Recommended Resources:

- *Knowing God's Love* by Steve Demme
- *Coming to His Presence* by Steve Demme
- *Loved to Love* by Steve Demme

Notes:



STEVE DEMME
Demme Learning and
Building Faith Families

Steve and his wife, Sandra, have been married since 1979. They have been blessed with four sons, three lovely daughters-in-law, and six special grandchildren. Their fourth son has Down Syndrome and lives with them in Lititz, PA. With God's help, Steve has been seeking first the Kingdom since graduating from Grove City College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. He is the creator of Math-U-See and the founder of Building Faith Families.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



The God-Centered Mom

Things to Learn:

- Where to start to become a God-centered mom
- Bringing God into your daily mom life
- Making the most of your day amidst overwhelm

Takeaways:

- The most important foundation for a God-centered home is your own personal relationship with God. Christ in you is the hope of glory!
- God is a dwelling God; he wants to dwell with us and be a part of everything that we do, from changing diapers to making dinner. As He is part of your life, He gives you peace, and you'll be able to pass this relationship to your children.
- Praising God is the cure for self-pity parties.
- Motherhood is not for wimps. It takes strength, strength that comes from God.
- Don't be a CINO family, Christian In Name Only. Be a family that knows and loves the Word of God.

Recommended Resource:

- [AboveRubies.org](https://www.aboverubies.org) — search “Morning and Evening principle”
- Above Rubies magazine & website, Facebook, and devotionals
- From Our Home to Yours podcast
- *Power of Motherhood* by Nancy Campbell

Notes:



NANCY CAMPBELL

Above Rubies

Nancy Campbell is the editress of Above Rubies magazine and mother of 10, grandmother of 51, and great-grandmother to over 20 grandbabies. Nancy Campbell hosts a podcast called Life to The Full with Nancy Campbell every Tuesday at 6:00am to encourage wives and mothers in their highest calling of being a wife and mother. On Nancy's website, [AboveRubies.org](https://www.aboverubies.org), you'll find hundreds of testimonies and articles on marriage, motherhood, and family life. You'll also have access to Nancy's daily email devotionals, books, and information on Above Rubies Retreats.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



Anchored in Christ

Things to Learn:

- Aligning expectations in a fallen world
- How to anchor our souls
- Battling hindrances in the storms of life

Takeaways:

- If you have a powerless foundation, there will be powerless living; however, if your foundation is firmly rooted in Jesus, there will be powerful living.
- God gives us grace and mercy through His Spirit when we draw near and hold fast, and then we get to extend that to others.
- Our children watch us when we draw near and hold fast to the Lord, and when we don't; both are important to help them build their faith.
- When we anchor into Jesus and focus on Him, we become a God-centered parent.

Recommended Resource:

- *Anchored in Christ* by Norm Wakefield
- *Equipping Men, Practical Tools for Life's Issues* by Norm Wakefield
- *Living to Love* by Norm Wakefield
- Livetolovewithjesus.com
- Spiritofelijah.com

Notes:



NORM WAKEFIELD
Spirit of Elijah Ministries

Norm Wakefield has been the Executive Director of The Spirit of Elijah Ministries International for 27 years. He and Alma, his wife of 52 years, live in Bulverde, TX. The goal of Norm's ministry as an author and speaker is to call men to turn their hearts to God and their families. He equips men to apply the Gospel to life and relationships. He also launched LiveToLoveWithJesus.com to equip the body of Christ to make disciples who live to love with Jesus.

Day 1

God-Centered Parents



What Should I Do if CPS Shows Up at My Door?

Things to Learn:

- What to know before opening your door to Child Protective Services
- Understanding the do's and don'ts of interacting with CPS
- Finding the right help in a CPS situation

Takeaways:

- Be aware that 37.4% of children in the US will be involved with CPS by the time they turn 18.
- CPS workers are usually nice; they aren't your typical "big bad wolf."
- CPS is there to gather information, not give information.
- Our mouths may be our most dangerous weapons when talking to CPS.

Recommended Resource:

- [Heritagedefense.org](https://www.heritagedefense.org)

Notes:



BRADLEY PIERCE
Heritage Defense

Bradley Pierce is a co-founding attorney of Heritage Defense. Since being licensed in 2007, Bradley has defended the parental rights of Christian homeschooling families around the country against threats by social services. Bradley and his wife, Cindy, are homeschool graduates who are now blessed to homeschool their own eleven children.

Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



Homeschooling: Purpose or Performance?

Things to Learn:

- Why you must measure success with purpose, not performance
- Principles that will help you trust God's calling on your family
- Recognize the importance of not overscheduling

Takeaways:

- If we want to homeschool with purpose, we need to understand the importance of discipleship.
- When a checklist replaces relationships, things start to go sideways really quickly.
- If God has given us these kids and if He has given us this assignment and this mission, He is going to equip us for it.
- Your priorities and what you feel God is calling you to needs to be reflected in your daily rhythms.
- What the world calls wise and what God calls wise are different things.

Recommended Resources:

- DurendaWilson.com
- [The Durenda Wilson Podcast](#)
- [Unhurried Homeschooler Mentoring Course](#)

Notes:



DURENDA WILSON
Simply Unhurried

With more than thirty years of home education experience, Durenda Wilson is a trusted voice and resource at homeschooling conventions and on The Durenda Wilson Podcast. Durenda and her husband, Darryl, have been married for 35 years. They have eight kids (seven graduated so far) and twelve grandchildren (all of whom are or will be homeschooled). As an author, speaker, and podcaster, her greatest joy is reminding parents how doable and effective homeschooling is and that they are qualified for the job! Her books include The Four Hour School Day, The Unhurried Homeschooler, Raising Boys to Men, and Unhurried Grace for a Mom's Heart.

Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



Teaching Your Children About God Through the Gospel Message

Things to Learn:

- Why it's tempting – and harmful – to focus on external behavior instead of what really matters
- Understanding the Gospel as the foundation of our relationship with God
- What to do before discipling and teaching children

Takeaways:

- You must spend just as much time building a relationship with your children as you do teaching them.
- Christ is the only hero in the story of redemption.
- We don't need to know what God is doing if we know who He is!
- Be the instrument in which your children can see the love, mercy, and grace of God.

Recommended Resources:

- Catechisms
- *Discovering the Glorious Gospel* by Paul Washer

Notes:



PAUL WASHER

Heart Cry Missionary Society

Paul Washer became a believer while studying at the University of Texas. After graduating, he moved to Peru and served there as a missionary for ten years, during which time he founded the HeartCry Missionary Society in order to support Peruvian church planters. HeartCry's work now supports indigenous missionaries throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Eurasia, North America, and Latin America. Paul now serves as one of the laborers with the HeartCry Missionary Society. He and his wife Charo have four children: Ian, Evan, Rowan, and Bronwyn.

Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



A God-Centered Approach to Teaching ... Anything!

Things to Learn:

- Understand how to have a God-centered homeschool
- How to evaluate subjects, curriculum, and teaching methods
- How to navigate obstacles within Christ-focused teaching

Takeaways:

- Having a clear vision or mission statement of priorities and goals for your homeschool will help give direction and encourage you on tough and wearying days.
- After covering the foundational subjects (as required by homeschooling law), we have the freedom to let students explore their individual interests through their school subjects.
- Any subject can be taught with a focus on God, either because it is written into the curriculum itself or by incorporating Scripture and a Christian worldview when going through the subject.
- We cannot teach God's perspective to our kids unless we first know it ourselves.
- We can put a lot of pressure on ourselves to homeschool and raise our kids, but we do not have to do this alone. God has given us everything we need for life and godliness, and He is there to help carry our burdens and give wisdom. So seek Him in prayer!

Recommended Resources:

- ProverbialHomemaker.com

Notes:



TAUNA MEYER

The Proverbial Homemaker

Tauna Meyer is the founder of ProverbialHomemaker.com and a homeschooling mom of six who speaks to women with encouragement that is relatable and tools that work in real life. She has a passion for helping moms overcome the hurdles that keep them from homeschooling successfully, all while pointing themselves and their children to Christ.

Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



Homeschooling From a Biblical Worldview

Things to Learn:

- Exposing the contrast between biblical and humanistic worldviews
- Understanding the biblical foundation for Christian education
- Why the “how” is just as important as the “what”

Takeaways:

- Our goal is to have the lens of Scripture: seeing the world through God’s eyes.
- As Christians, we have a reason to learn — because it brings us closer to the Creator!
- Jesus is the Lord of education and academics; thus, education is discipleship.
- Everything you do, you want to learn to do with excellence because that reflects God’s character.

Recommended Resources:

- *Education: Does God Have an Opinion?* by Israel Wayne
- *Answers for Homeschooling: The Top 25 Questions Critics Ask* by Israel Wayne
- FamilyRenewal.org

Notes:



ISRAEL WAYNE

Family Renewal

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Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



Teaching Foundational Truths

Things to Learn:

- Recognizing the absolute source of all truth
- Practical tips for teaching truth to your children
- Discover the answer to peace in the midst of turbulent times

Takeaways:

- Truth is under fire and at risk in our current culture, and it's because truth has not been taught to the next generation.
- The first step in desensitizing us to things that God calls a sin is to get us to laugh at it.
- Truth exists and is knowable, observable, universal, absolute, and exclusive.
- Embrace the abundance of the life that Jesus gives you, and dare to trust Him to help you teach the importance of truth in your home.
- Nothing changes overnight; just seek God daily and faithfully take the next step.

Recommended Resources:

- RachaelCarman.com
- Let's Talk podcast

Notes:



RACHAEL CARMAN

Apologia

*Rachael Carman and her husband, Davis, own Apologia Educational Ministries, a top-rated publisher of award-winning Creation-based curricula for home educators. As a mom to seven and "Coco" to three, she's a 25-year homeschool veteran and still energetic about affirming, encouraging, and equipping the next generation of homeschooling families to answer the call. A respected speaker and author, Rachael has been blessed to travel the world for almost two decades, speaking at conferences, retreats, and Bible studies. Her books, *How Many Times Do I Have to Tell You?* and *How to Have a HEART for Your Kids*, are a winsome call for moms to live each day at the foot of God's throne.*

Day 2

God-Centered Teaching



Reclaiming Our Children Through the Power of Jesus Christ

Things to Learn:

- Recognizing modern-day attacks on the Christian worldview
- Understanding the need for Christ within the family, church, and education
- Identifying the tools needed for a God-centered education

Takeaways:

- Other things grasp for our hearts, saying, “You’re mine!” But no, you are God’s!
- When we ask, “What does God say?” — opening the Bible is the only solution.
- Build a life around the body of Christ with your children.
- You don’t need a seminary degree; you just need to love the Lord and love your children.
- Pray your way through everything, give grace, and be bold.

Recommended Resources:

- [Calvary Reformation church](#)
- [D6 Reformation ministry](#)
- [CCMcLeod.com](#)

Notes:



CARLTON MCLEOD
Calvary Reformation Church
and
CC McLeod Ministries

*Dr. Carlton McLeod is a native of Columbia, SC, and grew up in Upper Marlboro, MD. Carlton has always desired to strengthen the family. After spending his early years experiencing the suspect fruit of pragmatism, he learned that Scripture is sufficient! The Lord led him back to the Bible to see the critical need for constant, Spirit-led, biblical family discipleship. [D6Reformation.org](#) was then created out of this desire to help families. He is the author of several books, including *The Playbook: Five Strategic Plays to Restore the Prophetic Voice of the Church in America*, *A Return to Head Covering: A Needed Symbol in the Contemporary Church*, and *Building a Financial House: Giving, Saving, Spending, and Investing Based Upon the Rock of God’s Word*.*

Day 3

God-Centered Curriculum



God-Centered Curriculum: How It's Different, and Why It Matters

Things to Learn:

- Why we need God-centered curriculum – and how to accomplish it
- How to analyze curriculum with a biblical worldview
- Avoiding the trap of man-centered education

Takeaways:

- When we allow for man to be the center of everything, we gain confusion; when we allow for God to be the center, we gain clarity.
- Education is discipleship; it's not just stuffing facts into children's heads. The heart of the student should want to turn to God, and the heart of the teacher should want to turn to God.
- God-centered education allows us to worship and see God's involvement in the world.
- At the end of the day, we want God-centered children who fear God and recognize the reverence of God.

Recommended Resources:

- [Generations.org](https://www.generations.org)
- *Apostate* by Kevin Swanson
- [Generations curriculum](#) (grades 1-12)

Notes:



KEVIN SWANSON

Generations

Kevin Swanson was homeschooled in the 60s and 70s, and with his wife, Brenda, homeschooled five children out on the eastern plains of Colorado. Their greatest joy is to see their children "walking in the truth." Kevin serves as an elder in his church, and he has developed Christian curriculum for 1st-12th grade. He has also authored over 20 books on Bible study, Christian worldview, the Christian family, providential Christian history, popular culture, and Christian education.

Day 3

God-Centered Curriculum



God-Centered History

Things to Learn:

- Recognizing the bigger picture that world history fits inside
- How to develop a love for history in your child
- Evaluating history from Christ-focused glasses

Takeaways:

- At the moment when things look like they are at their worst, God is planting seeds for fruitful seasons, people, etc.
- Recognize that all of history is part of God's story.
- We want to prepare our students for when they aren't in our home. Their faith will be challenged; we want to provide them with the tools to help them.

Recommended Resources:

- Christian Heritage Publishing
- Bethany House Publishing
- G. A. Henty stories
- GeorgeGrant.net
- History Curriculum by George Grant

Notes:



GEORGE GRANT

Standfast Resources

Pastor and Professor George Grant is the author of nearly 100 books in the areas of history, biography, politics, literature, and social criticism, and he has written hundreds of essays, articles, and columns. His church history podcast, Resistance and Reformation, is available on the Fight, Laugh, Feast network. His linguistic and etymology podcast, Word Play, is heard on World Radio's The World and Everything In It. His resources may be found at GeorgeGrant.net.

Day 3

God-Centered Curriculum



God-Centered Math

Things to Learn:

- Understanding how math honors Christ
- How to teach math with excellence when you're not a math person

Takeaways:

- Math is a way to celebrate God's consistency and study His intricate creation.
- Math is like a set of tools; you have the everyday tools you use, or you have highly specialized tools that require special training but help create really beautiful things.
- You want to show your children that math is practical and a way to describe God.
- God is the one who created math; He understands it. He is the source of wisdom, and you can run to Him for wisdom in math.

Recommended Resources:

- *Mathematics: Is God Silent?*
- Principles of Mathematics
- Master Books eCourse
- Jacob Elementary Algebra eCourse
- *Revealing Arithmetic*
- *Math Lessons for a Living Education*
- Masterbooks.com
- MasterbooksAcademy.com

Notes:



KATHERINE HANNON

Master Books

Katherine [Loop] Hannon is a homeschool graduate and the author of various resources, including Principles of Mathematics, a biblical worldview junior high math program published by Master Books. She also has produced various math video supplements on the Master Books Academy. Understanding the biblical worldview in math made a tremendous difference in her life, and she's been researching, writing, and speaking on math and other topics for over a decade now. Her heart is to point people to "seek the Lord, and His strength" (Psalm 104:4) in everything.

Day 3

God-Centered Curriculum



God-Centered Science

Things to Learn:

- Recognize that science is the study of the consistent, predictable way that God upholds His creation
- Understand why children must fundamentally understand how God's creation operates to avoid being misled and to maintain their faith
- Realize how secular curriculum trains kids to ignore God

Takeaways:

- The Christian worldview allows us to expect that science would work because God has imposed patterns on nature and upholds His creation in a consistent way.
- If you're having a difficult time seeing things that are interesting in science, find someone else who is enthusiastic about it and listen to them for a little bit, and it will catch on.
- There really can't be neutrality in education. The Bible says the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. The world says that's not true. That position is not neutral.
- Public schools teach kids that God is irrelevant to every subject and nothing could be further from the truth. That is not a neutral position. That is an anti-Christian position.
- Loss of confidence in God's Word and perhaps walking away from the church altogether are the side effects of teaching science from a non-Christian perspective.

Recommended Resources:

- BiblicalScienceInstitute.com
- Worlds of Creation
- Astronomy Reveals Creation
- The Stargazer Guide to the Night Sky
- Taking Back Astronomy
- Introduction to Logic

Notes:



DR. JASON LISLE

Biblical Science Institute

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Day 3

God-Centered Curriculum



Six Ways to Pour the Love of God's Word Into Your Children

Things to Learn:

- Creating a lifetime love for Scripture
- Discipling your children in authentic prayer and biblical doctrine
- How to train for godly character

Takeaways:

- Combatting the culture's influence of spiritual bankruptcy begins with getting your child excited about Scripture, for that is the vehicle that then bonds them to God.
- Bible memorization teaches a child that every word in a verse is hot-wired by God.
- Training character is different from disciplining your child. Discipline is reactive; training is preemptive.
- Character is what your child does when you aren't looking.
- Hymns can help you connect with God in tough times when prayer or Scripture reading may seem to fall flat.

Recommended Resources:

- *The Child's Story Bible* by Catherine F. Vos
- *Egermeier's Bible Story Book* by Elsie Egermeier
- *My Bible Handbook* by Etta Degering
- *The Golden Children's Bible* by J. Grispino
- *The Bible Story 10 Vol. Set* by Arthur S. Maxwell
- *The Bible-Time Nursery Rhyme book* by Emily Hunter
- *Teach Children Basic Bible Doctrine (With Pictures)* by Renee Ellison
- Westminster Catechism
- *Character Traits Coloring Book* by Renee Ellison
- 18 videos on YouTube — [Renee Ellison](#)
- [HomeschoolHowTos.com](#) - many books, ebooks, freebies
- Heidelberg Catechism



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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Discipling Children to Disciple Others

Things to Learn:

- Understanding the role of the family in society
- Key action steps toward being welcoming and hospitable for the sake of the Kingdom
- Practical tips to serve and love neighbors

Takeaways:

- You are called to sow the seeds; the Lord is the one who determines what happens.
- The family is an institution by God; when it is manipulated by man, problems arise because it takes away from the Creator's design.
- We need to get past the fear of disappointing people.
- The most dangerous thing to do is to read the Bible and not profit from it – we must recommit to biblical fluency!

Recommended Resources:

- RosariaButterfield.com

Notes:



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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Created to Worship

Things to Learn:

- How to transfer a vision for God's glory to our children
- Recognizing our children's idols
- Developing a love for the Church

Takeaways:

- How our children view God will determine how they respond to all of the circumstances of life, including our parenting.
- We need to be awed and moved and fascinated and dazzled by God because that is how we can give our children a vision for the glory of God.
- Even good things can become idols, like having our children obey us or having a good marriage. Anything that would devastate us if it were taken away is an idol.
- In order to impress loving God with heart, soul, mind, and strength on our children, it has to be true in our hearts first.
- God has created the church to be an extension of the training and support that is in the Christian family, and it helps children realize that others believe the same things their parents do.

Recommended Resources:

- ShepherdingtheHeart.org
- ShepherdPress.com — publisher's website, newsletter
- *Why America Hates Biblical Christianity* by Tedd Tripp
- *It's Not Too Late* by Tedd Tripp
- *Shepherding a Child's Heart* by Tedd Tripp
- *Instructing a Child's Heart* by Tedd and Margy Tripp

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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Living Among Lions

Things to Learn:

- How to bold for Christ in today's culture
- Discerning when and how to disobey civil authorities
- Ways to keep an eternal perspective in the midst of distractions

Takeaways:

- If your theology does not become your biography, then your theology is worthless.
- You become enslaved by the things you aren't willing to surrender.
- Being in the Bible each day is going to equip you for whatever you face.
- The key to being excellent at work in this dark time is to remove yourself from the transaction — so that God can receive the glory and connect with that person.

Recommended Resources:

- *Whatever the Cost*
- *Living Among Lions*
- *Miracle in Shreveport*
- *Bold & Broken*
- *Expert Ownership*
- *Beauty in Battle*
- BenhamBrothers.com

Notes:



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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Will They Stand? Parenting Children to Face the Giants

Things to Learn:

- The secret to leaving a lasting, godly legacy
- Principles for evaluating the word of man against the Word of God
- How to handle pushback from the world when you stand firm on biblical authority

Takeaways:

- If you don't have the foundation of the Bible, then you're not going to have the right worldview.
- The devil tempts us to trust the word of man and doubt the Word of God.

Recommended Resources:

- *Will They Stand?* by Ken Ham
- *The Lie* by Ken Ham
- *Foxe's Book of Martyrs* by John Foxe
- *Answers* — Sunday School Curriculum, books answering commonly asked questions, homeschool curriculum
- [Answers.TV](#)
- [Answers in Genesis](#)

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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Ambassadors for Christ

Things to Learn:

- Recognize our citizenship is in Heaven, and we are representing Christ as ambassadors
- How to identify and help your kids grow their gifts and abilities
- Ways to teach your kids how to talk to others about the gospel

Takeaways:

- We could be consumed with careers and trying to make it in this world, and this world's definitions of success, but true success comes in following Christ.
- Help your kids understand that their giftings, talents, abilities, and everything are from God, and help them understand how to use these for His glory.
- What we do for each other in our family is an act of service, and what we do for each other in our family is unto the Lord.
- God wants us to make followers; He wants us to make ambassadors, those who understand what the Kingdom of Heaven is like, and then they can live that out on the earth.
- Remind your kids to “let God go public through you in what you are doing.”

Recommended Resources:

- StraightEdgeMinistries.org
- [Culture Proof](#) YouTube channel
- [Culture Proof Kids](#) YouTube channel

Notes:



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Culture Proof

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Day 4

God-Centered Calling



Giving Your Children a Kingdom Vision Worth Living ... and Dying For

Things to Learn:

- How the biggest needs of our world today define how we raise and prepare our children
- Recognize the legacy of faithful parents — and the impact on the kingdom of God
- Address the alignment of our expectations and our willingness to lose our lives for Christ

Takeaways:

- The situations we face today aren't very different from decades ago — just maybe more intense, requiring more intentionality than ever to raise our children to know what they believe and why.
- Our greatest mission field is our kitchen table — having important conversations with our kids every day.
- Never be ashamed of the Gospel, even in how we live every day before our kids.
- When we are in the fire is not the time to decide to stand for truth; we need to resolve to stand beforehand.
- Our children need to see where we get our strength and our truth and feel God's grace and forgiveness through our daily examples.
- We must speak the truth in love, not compromising on either the truth or love.
- Our children were born at just the time God intended them to be, so we need not fear for their futures.

Recommended Resources:

- Ruth Graham's poetry book
- Sitting by My Laughing Fire
- [Operation Christmas Child](#)
- [Samaritan's Purse](#)





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