

Homeschool 
Family Relationships
ONLINE SUMMIT 

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Homeschool *Family Relationships* ONLINE SUMMIT

Homeschooling forces you to fight out relational battles, whether you like it or not. But conflict and challenges are the perfect place for us to learn to walk as Christ did ... if we can hold our tongues long enough to look to the Word!

So block off your calendar, prepare your heart, and get ready to be charged with a high calling: Join us for the **Homeschool Family Relationships 2.0 Summit** for a week of video sessions with homeschooling and parenting authors and speakers that will urge (and equip!) you to find God's wisdom for your closest relationships so you can ...

communicate with truth and grace,
strengthen your family's unity even through conflict,
and *lead* your family to become a world-changing
force for the kingdom of God.

Are you ready?





Event Schedule

Time CST	Title	Speaker
Monday, October 10: Kick-Off Keynote		
4:00 PM	How the Gospel Can Transform Your Family	Voddie Baucham
Tuesday, October 11: Biblical Relationships		
9:00 AM	Family Life: How God Intends a Family to Function Together	Kevin Swanson
10:30 AM	What is a Family?	Tedd & Margy Tripp
12:00 PM	Equipped to Love	Norm Wakefield
2:00 PM	Resolving Conflict in the Home	Lou Priolo
3:30 PM	The Key to Maintaining Family Unity	John MacArthur
Bonus!	Pre-Teens, Teens, and Medical Consent	Bradley Pierce
Wednesday, October 12: Marriage Relationships		
9:00 AM	God's Recipe for a Happy Marriage	Joel Beeke
10:30 AM	Marriage Mistakes Homeschool Moms Make (and How to Avoid Them)	Tauna Meyer
12:00 PM	My Beloved My Friend	Hal and Melanie Young
2:00 PM	Help, I'm Married to a Homeschool Mom!	Todd Wilson
3:30 PM	Marriage, Communication, and Friendship	Steve & Megan Scheibner

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Time CST	Title	Speaker
Thursday, October 13: Parent-Child Relationships		
9:00 AM	Ordinary Parents, Extraordinary Father: When Prodigals Break Our Hearts	Christopher Yuan
10:30 AM	The Relational Mother	Nancy Campbell
12:00 PM	The Relational Father	Kevin Swanson
2:00 PM	Reaching the Heart of Your Child	Ginger Hubbard
3:30 PM	Parenting with Words of Grace: Building Relationships with Your Children One Conversation at a Time	William Smith
Friday, October 14: Sibling & Peer Relationships		
9:00 AM	Teaching Your Children to BLESS	Rachael Carman
10:30 AM	Teamwork: United We Win	Stephen Kendrick
12:00 PM	How to Help Your Children Become Best Friends in Christ	Rob Rienow
2:00 PM	Navigating Peer Relationships	Israel & Brook Wayne
3:30 PM	How To Keep Strong Relationships With Your Children While They Pursue Marriage	Eric and Leslie Ludy
Saturday, October 15: Your Family & The World		
9:00 AM	Why Your Family Needs a Local Church	Scott Brown
10:30 AM	The Devil Hates Hospitality, and Other Reasons to Love It	Rachel Jankovic
12:00 PM	Raising Kids Who Change the World by Working Hard	Jeff Myers
2:00 PM	Creating a Passion for Missions in Your Children	Dennis Gundersen
3:30 PM	How a Christian Legacy Can Influence Many People	Ken Ham

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 three 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!"

Todd & Jessie

"We've homeschooled our eight children from the start, with two daughters who've graduated. We're thankful to God for the blessing of teaching our children how God influences every aspect of life, fulfilling Deuteronomy 6:7 and Psalm 1, to see future generations strengthened for building the Kingdom of God."



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!"



Day 1: Kickoff Keynote

How the Gospel Can Transform Your Family

Things to Learn:

- Identifying the failing recipe for a godly family
- How to find hope in brokenness
- Practical steps for changing your family's focus

Takeaways:

- Through the family, God communicates a picture of His relationship with the Son and His relationship with His redeemed people.
- We have to understand the significance of the fall and our brokenness in order to understand the great need we have for redemption.
- If you think you have everything together, you will fall apart at the sight of brokenness in your family.
- There is nothing too far gone for God. The dry bones can live again.
- We have a great need and we have a great hope — the person and work of Jesus Christ.

Notes:



VODDIE BAUCHAM

Voddie Baucham Ministries

Voddie Baucham is Dean of the Seminary at African Christian University and previously served as Pastor of Preaching at Grace Family Baptist Church in Spring, TX. He has authored numerous books, academic journals, and magazine articles. He is married to Bridget and they have nine children. They currently live in Lusaka, Zambia.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

Family Life: How God Intends a Family to Function Together

Things to Learn:

- Why a vision for family unity changes everything
- The definition and development of a family economy
- A simple way to bring Gospel truth to light

Takeaways:

- Scripturally, the family is viewed as a “household” and operates as a unit. Family unity is highly unusual for our day, but it is important biblically.
- Relationships are an opportunity for both love and conflict to develop — but conflict is another opportunity for love to grow.
- Without humility, you cannot reach conflict resolution and love for one another.
- God brings us into relationships, so our sin is brought to light and the truth of the Gospel brings us grace — and in it, God is glorified.
- Discipleship opportunities abound with family unity.

Notes:



KEVIN SWANSON

Generations

A graduate of homeschooling himself in the 1960's and 70's, Kevin Swanson and his wife, Brenda, went on to homeschool their own five children, their last student graduating this past spring. Over the years, Kevin has been involved in numerous leadership positions in corporate management, church, and various non-profits. Along with 43 years of experience in the homeschooling movement, he also serves as the Director of Generations — a ministry he founded to strengthen homeschool families around the country. As a father who wants to leave a godly heritage for his own five children, Kevin's passion is to strengthen and encourage the homeschooling movement all over the world, and to cast a vision for generations to come.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

What is a Family?

Things to Learn:

- Three ways to biblically understand the family
- Two contrasting appetites you can create in your children — and how to create the right one
- How to avoid decreasing your child's understanding of the truth

Takeaways:

- Being complete in Christ is what gives us the ability to give to others.
- The beauty of what God calls us to, in the roles He has given to us, prepares us to have a fulfilling and successful experience as people made in the image of God.
- God wants the family to be a microcosm of the beauty of God and God's ways in the world.
- The family should be a place where our joy in God is lived out in self-sacrifice to one another.
- The most important aspect of being a parent is introducing God and His goodness to our kids.
- Our kids are hardwired for worship. They are made in the image of God and can't help worshipping something.
- The home is the place where we give God a reputation.

Notes:



TEDD & MARGY TRIPP

Shepherd Press

Tedd Tripp is the president of Shepherding the Heart Ministries. He's developed materials for his teaching ministry, encouraging the people of God to understand how the gospel impacts the thoughts and attitudes of our hearts. Tedd is known around the world for the best-selling child-rearing book, Shepherding a Child's Heart, and as the presenter of Shepherding a Child's Heart Ministries. Tedd married his wife, Margy, in 1968, and they are now the parents of three adult children and nine grandchildren. Tedd is the author of A Parent's Handbook for Shepherding a Child's Heart, Hints for Parents, and co-authored Instructing a Child's Heart with his wife.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

Equipped to Love

Things to Learn:

- How to demonstrate with your life that Jesus is real
- Finding the unique purpose God has for you
- Identifying the difference between an earthly love and a God-centered love

Takeaways:

- We waste our lives if we are not living to love like Christ.
- Once you start trying to write the story of what your family should be, you have just stepped into God's place. He has already determined the story of your family — to love.
- You can not truly love the people you are idolizing or hoping to “get something from.”
- Every time we love, the Father and Son rejoice together in what they have done.

Notes:



NORM WAKEFIELD

Spirit of Elijah Ministries

Norm founded The Spirit of Elijah Ministries International 22 years ago and has since served as its Executive Director. A speaker at homeschool conferences both nationally and internationally since 1992, Norm's messages seek to build up the body of Christ by giving practical, biblical teaching on how to apply the Gospel to the most important relationships and circumstances of life. Equipped to Love: Building Idolatry-free Relationships was Norm's first book, published in 1999, and has been his most popular message and resource. Norm and his wife, Alma, reside in Bulverde, TX.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

Resolving Conflict in the Home

Things to Learn:

- The top 3 reasons for conflict
- Identifying the internal attitudes that hinder relationships and hinder conflict resolution
- How to deepen your family's communication

Takeaways:

- As Christians, we should be the best communicators in the world, because God has given us so much wisdom about communication in His Word.
- Dependence on God's grace is the biggest key to communicating in a way that builds up our family.
- Humility results in a willingness to see and take responsibility for our relational faults.

Notes:



LOU PRIOLO

Nouthetic Media

Lou Priolo, a graduate of Calvary Bible College and Liberty University, holds a Doctorate of Divinity from Calvary University, and has been a full-time biblical counselor since 1985. He is the author of several books, including The Heart of Anger, The Complete Husband, Teach Them Diligently, Pleasing People and Resolving Conflict. Lou also serves as the Editor of the Resources for Biblical Living booklets. In addition to his books, Lou has dozens of recordings taken from his years of lectures, teaching, and preaching. Lou is a member of the International Association of Biblical Counselors, a Fellow in the Association of Certified Biblical Counselors, and is currently Director of Biblical Counseling at Christ Covenant Buckhead in Atlanta. Lou and his wife, Kim, have been married since 1987 and are the parents of two girls, Sophia and Gabriella.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

The Key to Maintaining Family Unity

Things to Learn:

- Why confession, repentance, and forgiveness are crucial to family unity
- Practical ways to cultivate a spirit of forgiveness within the home
- Addressing unforgiveness

Takeaways:

- Maintaining unity within the family is difficult because you live with sinners. That is why we must be quick to forgive.
- As a believer it's instinctive to forgive because you've received the Spirit, but we do have the capacity to react negatively when the love and forgiveness extended is wounded. That is where we must stand guard.
- It is imperative for children to see good expressions. As a couple, if you show your children a face of joy, of peace, and of love, they will pick it up.

Notes:



JOHN MACARTHUR

The Master's University

John MacArthur is the pastor-teacher of Grace Community Church in Sun Valley, California, as well as an author, conference speaker, Chancellor of The Master's University and Seminary, and featured teacher with the Grace to You media ministry. John has written hundreds of study guides and books, and has been translated into more than two dozen languages. The MacArthur Study Bible, the cornerstone resource of his ministry, is available in English (NKJ, NAS, and ESV), Spanish, Russian, German, French, Portuguese, Italian, Arabic, and Chinese. John and his wife, Patricia, live in Southern California and have four married children: Matt, Marcy, Mark, and Melinda. They also enjoy the enthusiastic company of their fifteen grandchildren.

Day 2: Biblical Relationships

Pre-Teens, Teens, and Medical Consent

Things to Learn:

- What do when a doctor speaks alone with your child
- Understanding different state laws for medical consent
- How to be involved in your child's medical treatment

Takeaways:

- Find a good doctor you can trust for medical treatment and know that he/she will support your parental rights.
- Be aware of the medical consent laws in your state. There are no two states with the same law.
- It is crucial to make sure you and your child are on the same page when it comes to medical care and parent involvement.

Recommended Resource:

- [Heritage Defense](#)

Notes:



BRADLEY PIERCE

Heritage Defense

Bradley Pierce is a co-founding attorney of Heritage Defense, where he helps defend the parental rights of Christian homeschooling families around the country against threats by social services. He and his wife, Cindy, have seven children.

Day 3: Marriage Relationships

God's Recipe for a Happy Marriage

Things to Learn:

- How to fight for right expectations
- The biblical way to seek happiness
- Ways to nurture your children through your marriage

Takeaways:

- When you expect everything from your marriage partner, you're putting too much weight on that person. When you put all expectations on Christ, He is honored.
- As special as your marriage is, there will always be times when you are disappointed in your spouse and disappointed in yourself. You need a rock outside of yourselves to lean on.
- One of the best things you can ever do for your children is to elevate and prioritize your marriage.

Notes:



JOEL BEEKE

Dr. Joel R. Beeke (Ph.D., Westminster Seminary) is president of Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary, Professor of Systematic Theology and Homiletics, and a pastor of the Heritage Reformed Congregation in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is also the Editor of a family periodical (Banner of Sovereign Grace Truth), and the Editorial Director of Reformation Heritage Books. Joel is a frequent speaker at evangelical conferences around the world (including many homeschooling conferences), and a prolific author — especially in the area of marital, parental, and family guidance. He and his wife Mary have been blessed with three children and five grandchildren.

Day 3: Marriage Relationships

Marriage Mistakes Homeschool Moms Make (and How to Avoid Them)

Things to Learn:

- Keys for identifying a wrong heart towards marriage
- Small, sustainable steps for prioritizing your marriage
- How to ask your husband to help you (without being negative!)

Takeaways:

- Be intentional to seek out and consume resources that focus you on Christ and a proper perspective of marriage and its priority.
- If you make it a habit to be consumed by homeschooling, it is a recipe for disaster.
- Be aware of what your true expectations are for your husband in your homeschooling.
- Glean from the wisdom of other homeschool moms, rather than comparing yourself to them.
- Your marriage is meant to last longer than your homeschool career. Your marriage is a model of Christ and the church, and its purpose is not solely to raise children.

Notes:



TAUNA MEYER

Proverbial Homemaker

Tauna Meyer is a homeschooling mom of 6 who speaks to women with encouragement that is relatable, which includes providing 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 3: Marriage Relationships

My Beloved My Friend

Things to Learn:

- Relational keys that are more important than date nights
- One small habit that can make or break marriage relationships
- The easiest way to build your husband-wife relationship today
- How to recognize and avoid the “danger zone” of a crisis

Takeaways:

- Are you looking for a date night? Or a long-lasting friendship in your marriage?
- We tend to want a large-scale step to improve our marriage relationship, but it is in the small things that friendships are formed or broken.
- The real-life, daily interactions in a marriage relationship show what it is really made of.

Notes:



HAL & MELANIE YOUNG

Raising Real Men

Hal and Melanie Young are the parents of eight children, six boys and two girls, which they homeschooled from the beginning, and are now in the preteen journey with their youngest. They are popular speakers, podcasters, and the authors of several books including Raising Real Men, My Beloved and My Friend, and the Amazon best-seller Love, Honor, and Virtue. Their newest book is called No Longer Little: Parenting Tweens with Grace and Hope.

Day 3: Marriage Relationships

Help, I'm Married to a Homeschool Mom!

Things to Learn:

- The #1 best thing you can do in your homeschool journey
- Why expressing interest is key in a marriage
- What to do after you ask for advice

Takeaways:

- Understand — together — why you are choosing homeschooling even before you begin. Husbands can be a huge encouragement to their wives by remembering and reminding them of these goals when the going gets tough.
- Homeschooling is ultimately not about the school part, it's about the home part .
- It is not about learning a lot of stuff, but about loving and being home together.

Notes:



TODD WILSON

Familyman Ministries

Todd Wilson is a dad, granddad, writer, conference speaker, and former pastor. Todd's humor and down-to-earth realness have made him a favorite speaker at homeschool conventions, retreats, and churches across the country. As founder of Familyman Ministries, his passion and mission are to remind dads and moms of what is most important through a weekly email for dads, seminars, books, and products that encourage parents. Todd, and his wife, Debbie, homeschool four of their eight children (four have graduated) in northern Indiana when they're not traveling America in the Familyman Mobile.

Day 3: Marriage Relationships

Marriage, Communication, and Friendship

Things to Learn:

- Key principles to transform communication in your marriage
- The crucial role of considering your spouse's spirit
- Getting to the root of sarcasm in the home

Takeaways:

- If something is a huge deal to your spouse (close to their heart or very offensive), then treat it as a huge deal — even if you do not think it is.
- A huge key to a great marriage — it does not always need to be said.
- Hard things can be said when they are spoken kindly. When we're speaking in love, it makes what we're saying acceptable.
- Your marriage is bigger than your enjoyment and happiness.
- When we do what Scripture says, we are shining lights in a dark world.
- Stop thinking like an American and start thinking like a Christian who knows their Bible.

Notes:



STEVE & MEGAN SCHEIBNER Characterhealth

Dr. Steve and Megan Scheibner have spent the last 20 years creating parenting and youth character development resources to assist parents in the all-important parenting journey. Both Steve and Megan are trained Christian counselors, and Steve received his doctorate in 2011, with his thesis focused on the role of parents in the character growth of children. Their extensive training and research into character development has uniquely prepared Steve and Megan to equip and encourage parents. Additionally, with eight children of their own, Steve and Megan's practical tips and techniques have undergone years of hands-on child testing. Join them as together we train a new generation of courageous, Christ-like, character healthy leaders.

Day 4: Parent-Child Relationships

Ordinary Parents, Extraordinary Father: When Prodigals Break Our Hearts

Things to Learn:

- Finding your #1 goal as a Christian parent
- How to respond to your children when they disappoint you
- The biblical response to the world's message to our children
- Four things to teach your children about sin

Takeaways:

- The opposite of every sin struggle is holiness.
- Our children's rebellious struggles are not their greatest sins. The biggest sin is unbelief toward God. Keep the primary problem the primary problem, rather than focusing on secondary issues.
- Perfect parenting does not guarantee perfect children.

Resources:

- *Holy Sexuality and the Gospel* by Dr. Christopher Yuan
- [Join the curriculum waitlist for Holy Sexuality!](#)

Notes:



CHRISTOPHER YUAN

Bearer of Christ Ministries

Dr. Christopher Yuan graduated from Moody Bible Institute in 2005, and received a Master's in biblical exegesis in 2007, and a Doctorate of ministry in 2014. Christopher taught Bible classes at Moody Bible Institute for twelve years. His speaking ministry on faith and sexuality has reached five continents. He speaks at conferences, on college campuses, and in churches.

*Dr. Yuan has co-authored with his mother their memoir, *Out of a Far Country: A Gay Son's Journey to God, A Broken Mother's Search for Hope*, which has sold over 100,000 copies and is now in eight languages. Dr. Yuan's newest book, *Holy Sexuality and the Gospel: Sex, Desire, and Relationships Shaped by God's Grand Story*, was named 2020 Book of the Year for Social Issues by Outreach Magazine.*

Day 4: Parent-Child Relationships

The Relational Mother

Things to Learn:

- When to begin nurturing the mother/child relationship
- How your attitude about motherhood will impact your children
- Practical ideas for encouraging your child

Takeaways:

- As you joyfully embrace the role of motherhood, you are doing God's will and are doing a great thing for God!
- How can you joyfully embrace motherhood? By being reprogrammed in the truth.
- When you encourage your children, it lessens the time you have to discipline them.
- Your children need to know you love being there with them.

Notes:



NANCY CAMPBELL

Above Rubies

Nancy Campbell is the editress of Above Rubies, a magazine to encourage and strengthen families, wives, mothers, and homemakers. She has been producing this magazine for 40 years, reaching families all across the globe. Nancy and her husband, Colin, have six biological children and later adopted four teenagers from Liberia, West Africa who are now also grown and having their own children.

They have 45 grandchildren so far and 13 great-grandchildren. Colin and Nancy speak about family at seminars and weekend retreats throughout the USA and across the world. (Fun facts: Colin and Nancy are the parents of Wes and Steve Campbell who own and manage the Newsboys, and Wes is the original visionary of the God's Not Dead movies. They are also the parents of Serene and Pearl of Trim Healthy Mama.)

Day 4: Parent-Child Relationships

The Relational Father

Things to Learn:

- How to cultivate warm communication in your home
- A five-minute challenge for home engagement
- Hope for mistakes

Takeaways:

- We often come to define ourselves more by our accomplishments in the work world rather than by our covenantal, relational life.
- God has hardwired dads and moms as the means by which our children come to know Jesus.
- The default position in our homes should be gratitude and constant grace.

Notes:



KEVIN SWANSON

Generations

A graduate of homeschooling himself in the 1960's and 70's, Kevin Swanson and his wife, Brenda, went on to homeschool their own five children, now all graduated into adulthood. Over the years, Kevin has been involved in numerous leadership positions in corporate management, church, and various non-profits. Along with 43 years of experience in the homeschooling movement, he also serves as the Director of Generations — a ministry he founded to strengthen homeschool families around the country. As a father who wants to leave a godly heritage for his own five children, and growing number of grandchildren, Kevin's passion is to strengthen and encourage the homeschooling movement all over the world, and to cast a vision for generations to come.

Day 4: Parent-Child Relationships

Reaching the Heart of Your Child

Things to Learn:

- How failures can point our children (and us!) in the right direction
- Practical steps for addressing your child's sin
- The purpose and power of loving discipline

Takeaways:

- Tactics like counting to three or threatening are simply things that draw children away from instantly and completely obeying in a way that honors God.
- It is never enough to simply tell a child what not to do and administer consequences to them. Instead, walk them through what is the right thing to do.
- Avoiding consequences is not the goal. Honoring God and bringing Him glory is the goal.
- Using your own words and your own wisdom will not benefit your children. They need to hear God's words and God's wisdom!

Notes:



GINGER HUBBARD

Parenting on Purpose

Ginger Hubbard, bestselling author of Don't Make Me Count to Three, Wise Words for Moms, and I Can't Believe You Just Said That, speaks at women's events, parenting conferences, and homeschool conventions across the country. She has been a guest on national television and radio shows such as Focus on the Family, The 700 Club, FamilyLife Today, and Revive Our Hearts. Jesus saved and southern raised, Ginger is a veteran home-schooling mother of two adult children and stepmom to two stepsons. She and her husband, Ronnie, reside in Opelika, AL, where they enjoy working together from home.

Day 4: Parent-Child Relationships

Parenting with Words of Grace: Building Relationships with Your Children One Conversation at a Time

Things to Learn:

- Three ways communication happens
- Integrating truth and love in speech
- Tips for getting to the heart in difficult relational situations

Takeaways:

- When we speak with grace in the difficult moments, we communicate that our child has value to us no matter the difficulty they may cause.
- Your words communicate the God you know.
- The Gospel works powerfully in negative spaces — it comes to us when we are not doing everything right and comes to us when we are broken and sinful.

Notes:



WILLIAM SMITH

William P. Smith (PhD, Rutgers University; MDiv, Westminster Theological Seminary) is a pastor, author, and retreat speaker who has served several churches, been a faculty member of the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation, and taught practical theology at Westminster Theological Seminary. He is the author of Parenting with Words of Grace, along with numerous other books and booklets. You can follow him on Twitter (https://twitter.com/WPS_ministries) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/OfficialWilliamPSmith/>).

Day 5: Sibling & Peer Relationships

Teaching Your Children to BLESS

Things to Learn:

- A simple outline for cultivating conversation that encourages family unity
- How our words reveal our heart toward our family
- Why good conversation should start in the home and flow outside

Takeaways:

- We can't get relationships outside the home right until we get our relationships inside the home right.
- Sibling relationships have more importance than other friendships because God hand-picked each family member.
- Kids need to see their parents model how to be a blessing to each other.
- As children get older, they need the space to resolve sibling conflicts on their own, instead of always needing a parent to be involved.

Resources:

- RachaelCarman.com
- Real Refreshment the Community
- Let's Talk Homeschool, podcast (available on Apple, Google, Spotify, and more!)
- [Real Refreshment](#), podcast (available on Apple, Google, Spotify, and more!)

Notes:



RACHAEL CARMAN

Apologia

Rachael Carman is co-owner of Apologia. As a mom to 7 and 'Coco' to 3, she's a 26-year homeschool veteran—still energetic about affirming, encouraging, and equipping the next generation of families.

She is a respected speaker and author of a Bible study titled *The Word in Motion*. Connect with her online at RachaelCarman.com, *Real Refreshment – The Community*, and the *Let's Talk Homeschool* podcast.

Day 5: Sibling & Peer Relationships

The Power of Teamwork

Things to Learn:

- How to teach your children humility
- How Jesus as the ultimate team player impacts us
- What destroys teams ... and what builds teams

Takeaways:

- The first step towards teaching your children teamwork is teaching them humility. Humility breeds unity but pride is always toxic.
- We can accomplish exponentially more and work exponentially faster for God when we work as a team.
- Prayer is an amazing unifier because it brings God into your brokenness and dysfunction, allowing Him to work through and turn your weaknesses into gifts.

Recommended Resources:

- [LifeMark](#)

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 OVERCOMER, WAR ROOM, COURAGEOUS, FIREPROOF, and FACING THE GIANTS. In 2021, the Kendrick Brothers released two films: COURAGEOUS Legacy, and SHOW ME THE FATHER, their first feature-length documentary, for which he served as an executive producer and writer. Stephen is an executive producer and co-writer on their newest film, LIFEMARK, opening in theaters in September 2022.

Day 5: Sibling & Peer Relationships

How to Help Your Children Become Best Friends in Christ

Things to Learn:

- How God's goals for our families conflict with the enemy's
- Practical ways to foster a spiritual relationship between siblings
- How to practice biblical repentance and forgiveness in family relationships

Takeaways:

- The home is the primary training ground for faith. Work towards an environment of spiritual support in your family!
- Satan wants siblings to work separately to help themselves — God wants them to work together for His Kingdom.
- Flex the “working together” muscles in your family.
- God created you as a family for a specific reason: to advance His work together.

Recommended Resources:

- [Family Vision Podcast](#)
- *Visionary Parenting* by Rob & Amy Rienow
- *Visionary Marriage* by Rob Rienow
- *Healing Family Relationships* by Rob Rienow

Notes:



ROB RIENOW

Visionary Family Ministries

*Dr. Rob Rienow's most important ministry is loving his wife Amy and partnering with her to lead their seven children (and grandchildren) to love God. He is the founder of [Visionary Family Ministries](#), a pastor, international conference speaker, and the author of several books including *Visionary Parenting* and *Visionary Marriage*. When Rob is not fishing for men, he enjoys fishing for fish. The Rienow family lives in West Chicago, IL.*

Day 5: Sibling & Peer Relationships

Navigating Peer Relationships

Things to Learn:

- The impact friends have on our children
- How to develop peer relationships that promote family unity
- Why wise friendships are important

Takeaways:

- Form family friendships with those who are heading the same direction in life. This is especially important as children get older and begin to deepen friendships for themselves.
- Help your children seek out people who are seeking God.
- As our children develop peer relationships, the main goal is to maintain family relationships and family unity. Relationships must start in the home.
- The people you spend substantive time around are going to change your life.

Recommended Resources:

- FamilyRenewal.org
- *Raising Them Up* by Israel Wayne
- *Pitching a Fit* by Israel and Brook Wayne
- *Education: Does God Have an Opinion?* by Israel Wayne
- *Answers for Homeschooling* by Israel Wayne
- *Questions God Asks* by Israel Wayne
- *Questions Jesus Asks* by Israel Wayne

Notes:



ISRAEL & BROOK WAYNE

Family Renewal

Navigating Peer Relationships

Brook and Israel Wayne are authors and conference speakers and co-founders of Family Renewal. They live in SW Michigan and have homeschooled all of their 11 children from birth. FamilyRenewal.org

Day 5: Sibling & Peer Relationships

How to Keep Strong Relationships with Your Children While They Pursue Marriage

Things to Learn:

- Keys for supporting your children through their pre-marriage relationships
- How to approach purity from a love for Christ rather than from rules
- How to integrate humility and support

Takeaways:

- It is the spirit of the age to betray the parents and mentors who have invested the most in the lives of young people.
- Faith should define all seasons of our lives.
- Parents fill a crucial role in their children's lives, teaching them to respect, honor, and submit to something higher than themselves.
- Parents are anointed by God in a unique way to have wisdom and insight in the lives of their children.

Recommended Resources:

- [Honorable Manhood Training Program](#)
- [Set Apart Marriage and Motherhood](#)
- [Ellerslie](#)

Notes:



ERIC & LESLIE LUDY

Ellerslie

Eric and Leslie Ludy are the bestselling authors of nearly thirty books, which have sold over a million copies and have been translated into over a dozen languages around the world. For the past twenty-five years, the Ludys have been popular speakers at Christian events and on media platforms. Eric is a pastor and serves as the president of Ellerslie, a Biblically-based discipleship training center in Colorado that equips Christians from all around the world in Gospel-centered living. Eric's Daily Thunder podcast imparts daily life-changing truth to tens of thousands of listeners around the world. Leslie directs Set Apart Ministries, providing resources that inspire women of all ages toward Christ-centered femininity. The Ludys live in Colorado and have six beautiful children, four of whom were adopted.

Day 6: Your Family & The World

Why Your Family Needs a Local Church

Things to Learn:

- How Jesus' heart for His church should affect the course of our families
- Why the local church must be a priority — and how to keep it that way!
- Practical thoughts for when the church doesn't meet your expectations

Takeaways:

- The local church is massively important for God's plan for the redemption of mankind.
- When you try to understand the importance of something, you should ask "who loves it?" — and Jesus LOVES His church.
- God actually designed your family to be impacted by a whole other culture — the church.
- God has provided the local church for family discipleship, and families are obligated to prioritize that.
- Is your family shepherd-able?
- To love the church is to love people who have names.

Notes:



SCOTT BROWN
NCFIC

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The Devil Hates Hospitality and Other Reasons to Love It

Things to Learn:

- Practical tips to begin being hospitable
- Recognizing that the relationship is more important than the production of hospitality
- Find the why behind practicing hospitality

Takeaways:

- Hospitality provides an excellent opportunity for sanctification and refining.
- The goal of hospitality is serving God first and letting His Spirit flow through you to serve your guest.
- To train children in hospitality, they need to be involved, which is never convenient for us. However, they want to be involved, and we need to be willing to welcome them in.

Recommended Resources:

- The Canon Plus App
- *Come and See* documentary
- *Soup Night Slapdashery: Cooking for Big Crowds Made Simple* by Bekah Jank

Notes:



RACHEL JANKOVIC

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Day 6: Your Family & The World

Raising Kids Who Change the World by Working Hard

Things to Learn:

- Understanding God's view of work
- Five ways the Bible speaks to economics
- How to raise kids to embrace the value of hard work

Takeaways:

- God is a working God. He worked in creating the world and continues to work today. Since we were made in God's image, work is therefore a part of who we are.
- Idleness makes it boring to be alive.
- Giving children responsibility trains them in the stewardship we received from God in Genesis.
- Rest that is meaningful will return energy to you and make you feel more alive.

Recommended Resources:

- *Truth Changes Everything* by Jeff Myers

Notes:



JEFF MYERS

Summit Ministries

Dr. Jeff Myers is president of Summit Ministries, a respected authority on youth leadership development. He offers humor and insight from a Christian worldview, is the author of 16 books, and holds a Ph.D. from the University of Denver. Jeff and his wife, Stephanie, and their family live in Colorado.

Day 6: Your Family & The World

Creating a Passion for Missions in Your Children

Things to Learn:

- Who needs to think about missions
- Practical tips for preparing to “go” in missions
- How to encourage reluctant children towards God’s plan for saving the nations

Takeaways:

- Creating a passion for missions in your children begins in your own life.
- Help your children understand the world in a way that is different than the news portrays.
- Don’t be afraid of communicating through the language barrier. People can and need to see your love.

Notes:



DENNIS GUNDERSEN

Grace & Truth Books

Dennis Gundersen is president of Grace and Truth Books, a Christian publisher of children's stories from the 1800s with a character-building emphasis. After serving as senior pastor at two Tulsa churches (1984–2009), Dennis is now devoted to writing, publishing and conference speaking. He is the author of many books, including Your Child's Profession of Faith and Courtship or Dating: So What's the Difference? Dennis is a frequent speaker at church conferences, men's retreats, and home education conventions. He and his wife, Naomi, have been married 43 years and have four adult sons and six grandchildren.

Day 6: Your Family & The World

How a Christian Legacy Can Influence Many People

Things to Learn:

- Real-life examples of living on the foundation of God's Word
- How the daily routine of your life and habits makes a difference
- The answer for a heart burdened for the next generation

Takeaways:

- The way you live in light of God's Word affects your children and their future. Your children watch you very carefully.
- What you say and do have a serious impact on the future generation.
- Stand on God's Word to defend the faith.
- If you are burdened for your children and dedicated to training them, you will study God's Word with persistence.
- The priority of spiritual upbringing is foremost and should always be.

Notes:




KEN HAM

Answers in Genesis

Since moving to America in 1987, Australian Ken Ham has become one of the most in-demand Christian conference speakers and talk show guests. He is also the CEO and founder of Answers in Genesis, as well as the visionary behind the highly acclaimed Creation Museum and the popular, full-size Noah's Ark museum and attraction.

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