



Peaceful Parenting

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Parents are called to be peacemakers in their home -- not by avoiding conflict, but by _____ it.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
Matthew 5:9

Parents Can Bring Peace Home By . . .

1. Finding daily, _____ peace in Christ.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

- **Peace in your family begins with _____.**

2. Assessing how you _____ to your kids.

Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8

So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

Luke 15:20

- **“Rules without relationship leads to _____.”**
- Josh McDowell

3. Establishing peace by teaching biblical guidelines and _____.

⁶These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4

Matthew 8:15-18

If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Romans 12:18

Next Steps: *Connecting People to the Life-Changing Love of Christ*

- ☐ Pick up the Easter@Home guide for celebrating Easter week with your family.
- ☐ Bring someone next week for the new JONAH message series.
- ☐ Pray for the parents/grandparents of our church that they bring peace to their families.

****Save the Date – Easter Sunday April 20 (Three Morning Services)**