



## #4 Parenting With Purpose

### The Great Commandment

**Mark 12:28-31 (ESV)** “Which commandment is the most important of all?” Jesus answered, “The most important is, Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

### The Great Commission

**Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)** And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

**“Love God and love people, teach others to love God and love people, so they will teach others to love God and love people.”**

Our Children NEED:

1. Daily Reinforcement of **TRUTH**
2. **1 ON 1** Discipleship –  
**INTENTIONAL** engagement on how to **FOLLOW** Jesus
  - **INTENTIONAL**: set aside time/space with **PURPOSE**
  - Engagement: reveal **HEART** and **MIND**
  - Jesus: develop and deepen our **LOVE** of Him

## Discipleship Foundations

1. **MODEL**: you cannot **GIVE** what you do not have  
**Matthew 7:5 (ESV)** You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.
2. **MOLD**: teach believe over **BEHAVE**  
**Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)** For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast...
3. **MAKE**: foster their **CHOICE** to receive His free gift  
**John 1:12 (ESV)** But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...
4. **MATURE**: teach them who they **ARE**  
**Ephesians 4:1-3 (ESV)** walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
5. **MARVEL**: our God cares so much more than **WE** do  
**Jude 1:24-25 (ESV)** Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.