

Front Porch Wisdom: "Parents Have a Choice"
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1. The BIG Choice for Parents

- * Teach our children God's principles
or
Choose not to put value on the truth principles of God
- * Choosing to teach God's principles is an ongoing commitment

Text: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 & Proverbs 22:6

- * "Commit Yourselves Wholeheartedly"
- * Discover your child's God given gifts
 - * Help them find "the way" God has for them
 - * Teach children God's principles and truths

2. Choosing God's Way

- * God's way for their lives will align with the passion and gifts He has given them
- * Pray for their future choices and encourage them
- * Put value on serving in the church
- * Kids will watch what we do over listening to what we say
- * Free will: A child's future choice (Ephesians 6:1)

3. Choosing Our Own Way

- * Consequences of disobedience
- * God loves us and will try to bring us back to Him
- * Warning bumps and crashes

4. Prepare Kids for Life's Journey

- * We can't keep our kids forever (Genesis 2:24)
- * Who's driving the family car?
- * Priorities: God, Our Marriage, Our Kids
- * Buckle up your kids!
- * Find those moments to teach, encourage, and invest in our kids