

Why do my kids rebel?

#### Six Parental Reminders

1. Biblical theology reminds you only God can save.
2. Your duty reminds you God uses you to save your kids.
3. Your Bible reminds you it has intrinsic power to produce saving faith.
4. Your balance between Grace and Truth will help them in heavy times.
5. Your own sanctification is occurring throughout the struggle of your child.
6. Your hypocrisy will pave the way for rebellion.

#### Two Types of Rebels

1. Not Saved
2. Saved with little or no evidence –Prodigal

#### Four Reasons to be Encouraged

1. God really does know how you feel.
2. The good is in the together.
3. The Gospel comes alive in the pursuit of your wayward children.
4. Your faith is tested in the waiting.

"God's knowledge of your pain isn't just hard fact to Him – it's heartfelt to Him."

"Some of you need to stop making noise and start making pies."

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments; and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.

Psalms 78:1-8

because they did not believe in God  
and did not trust his saving power.

Psalms 78:22

In spite of all this, they still sinned;  
despite his wonders, they did not believe.  
Psalms 78:32

Salvation belongs to the Lord!  
Jonah 2:9

I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your  
grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in  
you as well.  
2 Timothy 1:5

...from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings,  
which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ  
Jesus.  
2 Timothy 3:15

...full of grace and truth  
John 1:14

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.  
Colossians 3:21

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1 Samuel 2:12

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You...honor your sons above (God) - 1 Samuel 2:29

...many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing.  
But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew  
all people  
John 2:23-24

They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been  
of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it  
might become plain that they all are not of us.  
1 John 2:19

(His parents did not know that this was from the Lord, who was seeking  
an occasion to confront the Philistines...)  
Judges 14:4

Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the Lord has spoken:  
"Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against  
me.

Isaiah 1:2

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for  
good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners,  
Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8

Blessed are all who wait for him!

Isaiah 30:18