

### ***Why Parenting?***

#### ***Primary Relationship***

- Outsized impact on kids/society
- Large part of work God gives
- Facet of our relationship with God

#### **Parenting Journey**

- Know Where You're Going
- Navigating Growing Up
- Changing Drivers

#### **Know Where You're Going**

Seeing the Goal Makes Sense of the Directions and Makes the Journey More Fun

#### **Big Goal: Kids Know and Love God**

“Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches,”

“but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord,”

*-Jeremiah 9:23-24*

“So that your trust may be in the Lord, I teach you today, even you.”

*-Proverbs 22:19*

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. . . Impress them on your children.”

*-Deuteronomy 6:5-7*

“In the future, when your son asks you, ‘What is the meaning of the stipulations, decrees and laws the Lord our God has commanded you?’ tell him. . .”

*-Deuteronomy 6:20-21*

## Two Things to Impart to Your Kids That Will Help Them With the Big Goal

### **Kids Need To Know Mom and Dad Love Them**

“The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.”

*-Psalm 103:8*

“How precious about me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them. Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand.”

*-Psalm 139:17-18*

“How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are.”

*-1 John 3:1*

“Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

*-Hebrews 4:16*

Give Them Your Time, Attention and Affection.

### **Kids Need To Know Rules and Consequences**

“He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.”

*-2 Thessalonians 1:8*

“Here is a trustworthy statement that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the worst.”

*-1 Timothy 1:15*

“Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father?”

*-Hebrews 12:7*

Establish and Enforce Boundaries.