



Sermon Based Questions

"That Ship Has NOT Sailed: Parenting" – Nathan Blais

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Parenting can feel like both a **burden** and a **blessing**. Psalm 127 reminds us that “unless the Lord builds the house,” our efforts fall short. This week we looked at what it means to **invite God into** our homes and families as we parent and lead others.

Share

1. [PARENTS] What surprised you most about what parenting is actually like? If you are [NON-PARENTS] What do you think was the most challenging part of parenting you?

Discuss

2. Read *Psalm 127:1–5*. What contrasts do you notice between anxious striving and resting in God’s work?
3. Pastor Nathan said the big idea is “Do it with God.” What does that look like practically in your home or relationships?
4. Read *Ephesians 6:1–4*. How does “in the Lord” shape both how children obey and how parents lead?

Reflect

5. When have you experienced parenting as both a burden and a blessing?
6. How does remembering that *God loves your kids more than you do* change the way you pray or respond when things are hard?
7. The panel talked about being real with their kids. Where do you find it hardest to model honesty or faith in your own life?

Apply

8. Pastor Nathan mentioned four gifts we can give our kids: an **example to follow, relationship and time, encouragement, and coaching and correction**. Which one of these do you need to work on in your parenting or leadership this week, and how might you take steps to do that?
9. What’s one way you can “build with the Lord” in a relationship this week—inviting God to lead instead of trying to control the outcome?