

River Valley Notes

PARENTAL GUIDANCE REQUIRED

Part #4: Making Connections

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The Big Idea: Since relationships are primary in determining who we become, the chief role of parents is to help our children make healthy connections... even if this reduces the number of experiences & the amount of resources they receive.

Making Connections:

1. Connection With Parents

Ephesians 6:4 And now a word to you fathers. Don't make your children angry by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction approved by the Lord.
(NLT)

Ephesians 6:4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
(KJV)

Ephesians 6:4 And parents, never drive your children to resentment but bring them up with correction and advice inspired by the Lord.
(NJB)

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Key Question: "What am I doing right now to deepen my connection with my kids?"

2. Connection With God

Proverbs 3:4-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will direct your paths.
(NLT)

Key Question: "What am I doing right now to deepen my kids' connection with God?"

3. Connection With the Right Friends

Proverbs 13:20 Whoever walks with the wise will become wise; whoever walks with fools will suffer harm.
(NLT)

Key Question: "What am I doing right now to steer my kids toward the right influences outside our home?"