

RAISING FRIENDS: GROWING YOUR KIDS

Authentic Friends

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1. _____ the friend you want.
 - a. Train a _____ heart.
 - 3 Problems we have:
Selfish
Arrogant
Hurtful

Proverbs 22:15; Ecclesiastes 9:3
 - 5 Foolish patterns to avoid:
Lazy liar Emotional manipulator
Reckless gratification Arrogant limelighter
Cruel
 - b. The goal: a _____ adult.

Proverbs 23:15-16; 27:11
 - Training must shape _____, not just ideas.
 - Two great tasks in life:
 - Walk with Christ
 - Handle life from God's perspective
 - c. The Training Ground: _____ life.
 - d. The Training Process:
 - Pray for them.
 - Teach _____: God's angle on things.
 - How life *really* works
 - *Why* it works that way

- Train _____:
 - How to relate to people
 - Appropriate words and behavior
 - How to handle responsibilities
 - How to make good decisions
 - How to read people
 - How to read situations
 - How to deal with this type of problem
- Impart _____:
 - Teach which is more important to God.
 - Fuel a desire to choose the more important.
 - Allow appropriate choices & consequences.
- e. Stay ahead of the _____ mentors.

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2. Be the _____ he or she needs.

1 Corinthians 11:1

 - You are his or her _____.
 - Emotionally
 - Relationally
 - Spiritually
 - Practically
 - UC Berkeley study: Kids...
 - Profess what momma said.
 - Do what daddy did.
 - Set the example of _____ to Christ.
Attitudinally Verbally
Relationally Morally
Financially Time wise

3. Pray and work to _____ their hearts.

Proverbs 23:26