

Are your Children (Grandchildren) Godless??

Having a Godless child is sort of like having a child with cancer, except in the case of godlessness there are things you can do...if you are willing. One of the most important of these is the first...a reverent attitude toward and a love of Creation. God speaks thru creation just as surely as thru scripture or the Holy Spirit.

Go for a walk.

TAKE A CHILD. The variety of walks is endless; star gazing, blindfolded-listening, tree identification, bird watching, cloud gazing, backwards walks, scavenger hunts, museum procurement, and on and on. Along with walking goes COLLECTING...everything from feathers to mushrooms and tons of neat stuff in between. A good rule of thumb is that children are allowed to collect anything that can be pressed into a book or fits in an egg carton museum.

Walking and collecting are two ALTERNATIVES to television and our children need all they can get. Adding a camera to the formula could have your family producing it's own calendars with original photos, even scriptures. Every child should have a choice of two worlds...mans world of sensationalism, greed and violence or God's world of harmony and constant renewal. It may be the one good thing your child can say about you after you're gone: "Despite the mistakes they made Mom (Dad) walked with me, just me and no one else, once a day. I can still feel her (his) hand in mine."

The magic moments: that first step, the first word, learning to ride a bicycle, learning to read occur only once in a lifetime. The same is true for spiritual moments. May no child, regardless of age be denied the spiritual moment when he understands deeply that the things we see with our eyes are made by a God we can see only with our spirits.

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