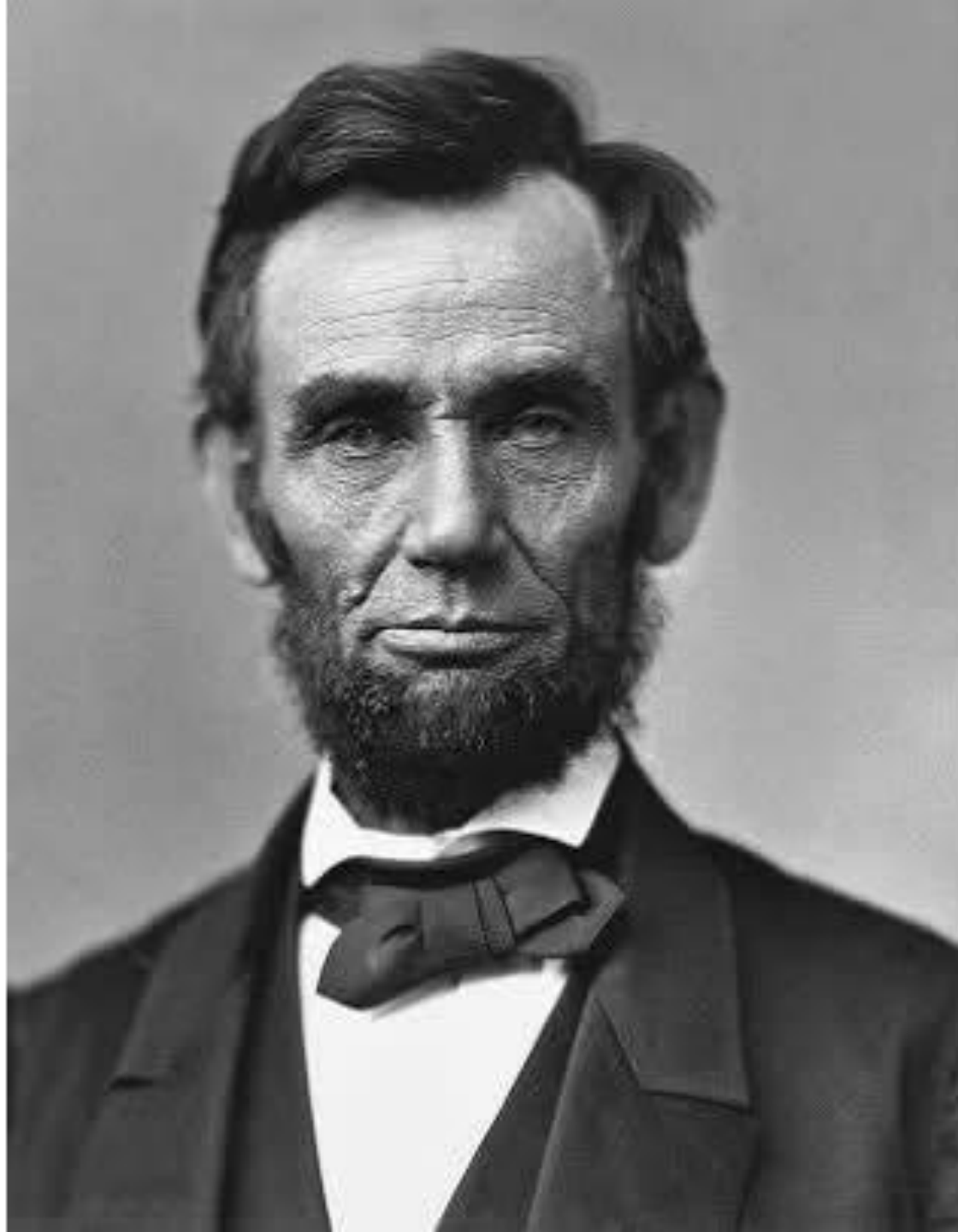


Train Up a Child

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Proverbs 22:6



**The
philosophy
of the school
room in one
generation
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government
in the next.**



**Train up a
child in the
way he should
go;
even when he
is old he will
not depart
from it.**

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Children – Wonderfully Made by God

- **Psalms 139:13-16:**

For you formed my inward parts;

you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works;

my soul knows it very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from you,

when I was being made in secret,

intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my unformed substance;

in your book were written, every one of them,

the days that were formed for me,

when as yet there was none of them.

I know I'm special cause,



God
don't
make
no
Junk!

Teach Children to Choose Joy

- **Psalms 118:24** - This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **Psalms 32:11** - Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!
- **Philippians 4:4** - Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.
- **Psalms 100:1-2** - Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Use your smile to change the world;
don't let the world change your smile



Church – A Place of Refuge

- **Psalms 9:9** - The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.
- **Psalms 46:1** - God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- **Hebrews 10:24-25** - And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Train and Teach a Child

- **Deuteronomy 11:18-21** - “You shall therefore lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 19 You shall teach them to your children, talking of them when you are sitting in your house, and when you are walking by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. 20 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates, 21 that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers to give them, as long as the heavens are above the earth.

All Education Starts in the Home

- **Proverbs 1:8-9** - Hear, my son, your father's instruction,
and forsake not your mother's teaching,
for they are a graceful garland for your head
and pendants for your neck.

Establish a Family Culture of Reading the Bible

1. Make it a priority in your family. Let your kids see you reading the Bible and that God and reading His Word is a priority."
2. Start young with your babies and preschoolers by quoting scripture and reading Bible Stories at home. As they become older, read the Bible to them
3. Use Bible reading to help grow and enhance children's reading comprehension skills.
4. WHAT CHILDREN SEE – THEY IMITATE

Establish a Family Culture of Prayer

1. Families that pray together, stay together.
2. Start early, allow your children to see YOU praying.
3. Set aside time to pray as a family.
4. Encourage your child to pray in both good and difficult times.

Establish a Family Culture of Service

1. Have your child help clean the Sunday School classroom.
2. **Song Leading** – Teach children to lead songs and build confidence for young men to lead songs in worship service and young ladies to lead singing in women's devotionals.
3. **Teaching** – Mentor youth to study the Bible and impart Biblical knowledge to others.

Parent's Influence on Faith and Church Attendance

- **When both parents attend church regularly, about 72% of their children will continue to attend Sunday school as adults. If both parents attend church, nearly three-quarters of their children will also continue attending church in some capacity.**
- The data clearly shows that the involvement of both parents in church and Bible study significantly increases the likelihood of their children continuing in their faith and church attendance as adults. This highlights the importance of parental participation in religious activities for fostering a lasting faith in children.

Consequences of Not Taking Your Faith Seriously – Passing on to Next Generation

- **Matthew 15:7-9** - You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said:

“This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”



Must Be Like a Child – Enter Kingdom of Heaven

- **Luke 18:15-17** - Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. 16 But Jesus called them to him, saying, “Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 17 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”