

Want to Raise Godly Children? Apply Gospel Wisdom in Your Parenting

In today's culture, many parents are worried about the indoctrinating effects society is having on children.

Yet the topic of shaping a young child's mind is nothing new, and has been taking place for centuries.

Throughout history, fairy tales have served as captivating narratives that transport young minds to fictional realms. These tales, however enchanting, have often been used as a means of imparting societal norms, values and beliefs to children. By weaving moral lessons into fantastical stories, societies have sought to shape the minds and behaviors of their youngest members.

From the Brothers Grimm to Hans Christian Andersen, fairy tales have left an indelible mark on children's literature. These tales, adorned with talking animals, brave heroes and wicked villains, have entertained and captivated generations. Yet, beneath their whimsical exteriors lie subtle mechanisms of indoctrination.

Children's stories of today are even more extreme in their messaging, as they have abandoned all pretense at storytelling and instead push countless radical messages upon children.

While fairy tales, old and new, may have been influential in shaping children's perspectives, it is essential to examine the role of the Bible in guiding the upbringing of children.

The Bible offers guidance on raising children and instilling moral values. Proverbs 22:6 advises, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from

it.” This verse encourages parents to teach children moral principles and guide them towards righteousness, emphasizing the importance of parental responsibility in molding their character.

In addition, Ephesians 6:4 highlights the significance of parental influence, stating, “Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” This verse emphasizes the importance of nurturing children in an environment of love and godly instruction, instilling values aligned with biblical teachings.

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Modern takes on fairy tales look to challenge God’s design of gender and promote radical theories and ideologies that are damaging to children and adults alike. In the journey of raising children, the role of parents and guardians remains paramount.

By integrating biblical principles into child-rearing practices, families can cultivate a foundation based on love, moral guidance and the pursuit of righteousness. As society continues to spiral into moral bankruptcy, it is imperative to empower children how to recognize and discern any underlying messages their stories may include, ensuring that the fairy tales they encounter align with God’s Word and foster holiness, wisdom and the love of Jesus.

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