

Key Scriptures

Ephesians 6:1-4
John 13:15
Proverbs 22:6
Joshua 1:8
Luke 18:9
Ephesians 2:9
Romans 1:16-18

Key Ideas

Every real kid needs:

- Real models, not just role models
- Direction, not just discipline
- Honor, not just obedience
- Well-grounded, not just well-rounded
- Good news, not just good behavior

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- When you were a child, what did you tell people you wanted to be when you grew up? How close were you?

Start thinking. Ask questions to get your group thinking.

- Regardless of your age, which of the five things resonate the most with you?

Start sharing. Ask questions to get your group talking.

- What types of people were some of your role models growing up? How about now? How has that changed?
- What do you think of when you think of disciplining children? How has that changed in society compared to when you were growing up?
- Can you think of an example in your life of demonstrating honor versus just obedience?
- What does your current engagement with God's Word look like? Do you read it daily? Weekly? Monthly?
- Have you ever or do you currently find yourself believing and behaving like a moralistic therapeutic deist? (Be good and nice so you get to heaven.) How does this differ from living like the Gospel is true (see Romans 1:16-18)?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

- *Father God, help us to be REAL and live life in a way that honors you. Help us to take a step toward you today. In Jesus' Name, we pray, AMEN.*

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- What's one step you can take this week to live out the message in your life?