

Introduction:

- Someone has said, "We make our choices; then our choices make us."
- Some of our good choices have resulted in a happy marriage, a great job, and deep personal satisfaction. Some of our poor choices have resulted in destroying a marriage, losing a job, and suffering shame and reproach.
- Few things will determine the quality and fulfillment of your life like the choices you make – for better or for worse.



Teach them to make _____ choices.

A theology of holiness:

- God is high and _____ “totally other.” Revelation 4:8-11
- God is absolute _____ . John 14:6
- God’s _____ defines absolute truth. John 17:17
- God’s _____ (morals) are for our protection. Psalm 119
- God’s ultimate aim is to make us _____ . Romans 8:29
- Old Testament roots Exodus 3:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8
- Biblical profiles – Moses, Mary
- New Testament command
¹⁵ ... but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; ¹⁶ because it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”
1 Peter 1:15-16 (NASB)

Priceless: Learning to make _____ choices

1. Teach them to saturate their minds with the _____.
The Bible, great books, CDs, videos.

Romans 8:5-8, John 8:32

2. Encourage them to _____ with wise, godly people.

Proverbs 13:20

3. Model for them how to _____ for discernment and wisdom.

Philippians 1:9-11, James 1:5

4. Teach them to monitor their _____ to the media.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

- **Life Message:** Righteous _____ bring life and peace.
Unrighteous _____ bring sin and death.

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Romans 12:2 out loud with your children. Talk about what God's motivation is in commanding us "not to be conformed" to this world.
2. Allow your children to learn from you. Share with them an area of your life where God's transforming grace has made you holy and whole where impurity and brokenness used to exist.
3. Discuss what activities, people, media, etc. draw you or your children away from Christ-like living. Which ones draw you toward Christ-like living?
4. What specific step of obedience does your family need to take to grow in personal holiness? When will you do it?