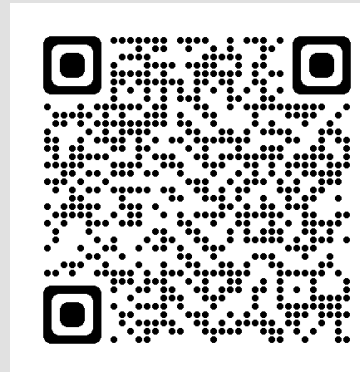




ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

Starting Fri, Dec 1



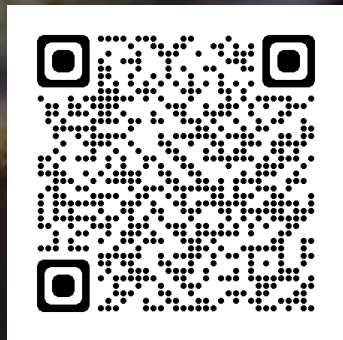
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“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...”

John 1:14 (ESV)

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The best dads are found here!

The worst dads may be here
as well.

Devout or Nominal?

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Mal 2:15

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that they would be compelled
to follow Christ.

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A Father's Duty: The Gospel Call for Father's to Lead Their Children to Desire Christ

Ephesians 6:4

Our words, actions, tone, and temperament should compel our children to follow Christ not to provoke them to resent Christ.

We want our children
to embrace Christ
not to be embittered
towards Him.

The Warning

Fathers, do not provoke your
children to anger

Eph 6:4

Fathers, do not provoke your
children, lest they become
discouraged.

Col 3:21

What does “provoke” mean?

Do not interact with or respond to
your children in such a way
that it demeans, devalues, or
destroys them.

It does NOT mean
you will never make
your children mad.

A Corrective to a Misapplication

Prov 13:24

Discipline is to be done
with wise restraint
not out of unrestrained anger.

Rules without relationship
breeds rebellion.

Don't be a seagull parent!

We need more proactive parenting
so we have less reactive parenting.

The Call

You cannot just plant and prune.
You must also nourish.

Eph 6:4

Tone and Temper and Talk

Eph 4:29; Prov 15:1

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