



JUNE 2022



OVERVIEW:

In our new series "ONE SHOT", we are talking about words of wisdom that don't miss!
A lot of time we ask if something is "right" or "wrong", when the question we should ask is "is this wise"?

Wisdom isn't just something you learn, it's something you DO.

The goal of this series is to equip your teen with wisdom that will help them win in life.

Remember this:

- "For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding."
 - Psalm 34:18

WEEK 1: "Wisdom to Win"

- Scripture: 1 Thes. 4:3, Prov. 16:2 Col. 3:17
- Main Points: If you're focused on who you are becoming, God will lead you to do the right thing.
 If you're driven by the right why, God will lead you to the right what. Who not do, why not what.

WEEK 2: "Friends for the Future"

- This week we look at wisdom that will help you have lasting and healthy friendships.
- Scripture: Luke 5:17-26, Proverbs 17:17
- Main Points: Faithful friends show you the Faithful Father. Don't focus on labels, Labels limit you.
 Forgiveness frees you but it also frees your friends.

WEEK 3: "What is Worship?"

- This week we look at how wisdom leads us to worship, and how a lifestyle of worship helps us through trials and temptations.
- Scripture: Hebrews 13:15-16
- Main Point: Worship is a choice. Worship is more than music. Worship is a sacrifice

CONVERSATION STARTERS

Often times it can be easy to feel like our life and relationship with God is about a few big decisions, when in reality it should be about small daily decisions that lead us closer to Jesus. The choices we make today will lead us one way or another. Encourage your teens with that fact that they haven't finished their life story and ask them "What will you do with the blank pages?"

Your teen most likely feels pressure from may different areas in their life. Pressure can often drive us to only focusing on doing, and not becoming. Some great questions you can ask your teen are: "What's one area you wish you knew what God wanted you to do? Are more focused on choosing the right do, or becoming the right who?





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SEIZE THE DAY!

DAILY CUES

MORNING TIME



Sometimes, without knowing it, we just expect teens to forget or fail. But, what if you expected to be surprised, impressed, and proud—and then told them?

This week be sure to give your teen encouragement. Try saying, "Hey, this past year has, in general, been pretty crazy. You've handled it like a champ. I'm so proud of you and love watching you become the person you were made to be. Keep it up."



THEIR TIME

Teens can often feel like adults don't really get them. So, practicing being a student of them. Ask questions. Use not knowing and not being afraid to be asking as a way to connect and make them feel like an expert. Let them know you don't take yourself too seriously.

Expressing curiosity around the way their friends think and talk about worldly topics, instead of judgment or disgust, will earn their trust.

MEAL TIME



Make some time for you and your teen to grab a meal or coffee or smoothie—on you! Take time to ask questions about their friends, their school experience, pressures they might experience, or just to hear them rant about the latest drama.

Remember, you aren't there to fix their problem, downplay, or correct their thinking. You're there to listen, sympathize, and make them feel understood.



BED TIME

Sometimes, teens need to have a conversation, but they aren't always sure how. Before your teen heads to bed, reassure your teen that you'll always be there for them, that your love for them won't change, and that your relationship won't be compromised—no matter what. Nothing they tell you could change that. Be sure that this message, is clear in your words, tone, and body language.