

PAUL DAVID TRIPP

P A R E N T I N G

GOSPEL PRINCIPLES

That Can Radically Change Your Family

Streaming Manual

How to use Parenting for a home group or church study,
plus discussion questions for each of the four lessons



ABOUT THIS RESOURCE

WHO

Dr. Paul David Tripp, pastor, event speaker, and best-selling author of *Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family*, awarded Book of the Year in 2016 for Christian Living.



WHEN

Stream on-demand, on any device at any time and as many times as you want, until **November 30, 2018**.



WHAT

4 video lessons filled with biblical wisdom and practical advice for single parents, couples, grandparents, home groups, and entire churches. As a bonus, you'll receive a free study guide with discussion questions.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long is the stream? You can choose to stream the entire weekend conference, or you can choose to watch Paul's teaching only. The entire weekend conference, with worship (lyrics included on the screen), announcements, giveaways, and Paul Tripp's teaching sessions, is six (6) hours long. Paul's teachings are approximately 60 minute each.

Which Streaming License should I purchase? Please refer to Page 4. If you still have questions, please email The Hub, events partner of Paul Tripp Ministries: Info@GoToTheHub.com.



What will Dr. Paul David Tripp teach on? In this brand-new event from 2018, you will hear four lessons:

Lesson 1 - Behind your relationship with Jesus, nothing is more important in your life than being a parent. Dr. Tripp will warn you of the most common distractions that take your focus away from your primary calling.

Lesson 2 - As a parent, if you aren't resting in your identity in Christ, you will naturally look for identity in your children. Dr. Tripp will reveal 5 signs that you are asking your kids to supply you with meaning and purpose.

Lesson 3 - Every child needs authority in their life, and God's call is for a parent to represent His authority in a beautiful way. Dr. Tripp will show you how to express grace-based authority in the home.

Lesson 4 - For lasting change to take place in the life of a child, they must understand the desires of their heart. Dr. Tripp will teach you how to communicate this theology and prepare them for the war against sin.

Where do I stream the video? After you purchase a Streaming License, you will receive a Media Access Key. That Media Access Key will unlock the viewing page for the 2018 Parenting Stream, where you can watch all four sessions on-demand until November 30, 2018. You can stream from any Internet connected device.

Is this stream available to purchase on DVD or download? After November 30, 2018, this stream will expire and not be available to purchase on DVD or as a download. We hope you can find time to join us online any time until November 30, 2018.

How do I promote the event to my friends or church? Check out PaulTripp.com/PromoteParenting for a Dropbox folder that contains videos, photos, blogs and graphics and start spreading the word!



PICK THE RIGHT STREAMING LICENSE



PERSONAL (*1-2 viewers*) // Watch on your own or with your spouse from the convenience of any device. Stream any time and as many times as you want until November 30.
\$24.99



GROUP (*3-25 viewers*) // Host a watch party at your home and invite up to 25 friends, family, and neighbors. Choose to watch all four sessions in one day, over a weekend, or over the course of weeks or months for a small group study. If your group has more than 25 viewers, we ask that you purchase the appropriate number of additional licenses to cover the viewers. **CHURCHES:** We ask that you purchase a Church Streaming License (listed below), based on the size of your average weekly attendance, not the projected attendance of your watch party.
\$69.99



CHURCH (*based on average weekly attendance*) // Host a watch party at your church and invite everyone in your congregation and in your community for a perspective-changing parenting event. Stream all four sessions in one day, over a weekend, or over the course of weeks or months; potential use includes a church-wide study or parenting Sunday school class. Please purchase a Streaming License based on the size of your average weekly attendance, not the projected attendance of your watch party.

1-499 weekly attendance // \$199.99

500-999 weekly attendance // \$299.99

1,000+ weekly attendance // \$399.99

Visit Parenting.PaulTripp.com to purchase your Streaming License today!



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

If you are using this Parenting stream in a group setting where discussion is encouraged, like a small group or Sunday school class, we have provided questions for each of the 4 sessions on the following pages. Here are a few suggestions when leading a small group discussion:

- Watch the video in advance before watching with your group, and spend time asking yourself the discussion questions to prepare for the conversation.
- Ask questions and encourage participation. Solicit answers from multiple participants; don't let the same person answer every question. For some questions, it might be appropriate to ask everyone, but don't force anyone to answer.
- Allow time for participants to answer, rephrasing the question when necessary. Avoid answering questions yourself; contribute, but don't dominate.
- Affirm everyone's participation and allow "questionable" responses to remain uncorrected. Rejecting answers, or allowing others to reject answers, can result in an environment of timidity and reduce honesty among participants.
- Lead with transparency and vulnerability, and others will follow. Don't be afraid to share weaknesses, failures, doubts, and confusion.
- Adjust as necessary. If you believe that skipping certain questions or spending an entire session on one question will benefit your gathering, don't feel obligated to rush through deep discussion for the sake of asking each question listed below.



LESSON 1: CALLING

Nothing is more important in your life than being one of God's tools to form a human soul. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9 and 20-23 to remind yourself of how much God values parents. Then, read Matthew 6:19-34 to remind yourself that this side of eternity, there will be many other treasures that compete with treasuring God's call on your life as a parent.

1. How can you talk to your child about the existence of God? What created things do your kids love, and how can you use creation to point to the beauty, power, creativity, and generosity of the Creator?
2. How can you celebrate with your children what God has, in grace, done for us? How can you woo your son or daughter with the sweet music of the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
3. In what ways have you relied too much on your church, school, or family to raise your children? How can you ask for help, without shying away from God's primary call on your life?
4. Which of your physical possessions (house, car, lawn, furniture, artwork, etc.) get in the way of, or create needless tension in, your parenting?
5. Has the value of career success impacted your commitment to the work that God has called you to as a parent? If you are involved in ministry, has "doing the Lord's work" led to inattention and absence as a parent? (The New Testament never calls us to one command that will necessitate the breaking of another one of his commands!)



LESSON 2: IDENTITY

As a parent, if you are not resting in your identity in Christ and what he has done for you (see 2 Peter 1:3-4), then you will naturally look for identity in your children.

1. Remind yourself, in specific and practical ways, who you are in Christ and what he has done for you. How does this allow you to enter into parenthood with a heart that is full and satisfied?
2. Remind yourself why, with some humor, why parenting is a miserable place to find identity. Why would it be unwise to find personal worth and value in your lost, rebellious, foolish, blind, and sinful kids?
3. Do you tend to personalize what is not personal in your parenting? How often do you interpret the weakness and failure of your children as a direct attack against you, when it's more than likely the natural consequence of being a sinful human being?
4. Do you put too much emphasis on your children's achievements, and not enough emphasis on the character of their heart? Are you at risk of pushing them too hard to achieve, not necessarily because it's best for them, but because of what it does for you?
5. How concerned are you about your reputation as a "good parent" among family, friends, and peers? Does this fear of man lead you to exercise an unnecessary amount of control over your children? (There is a significant difference between good and loving biblical parental control, and trying to control your children for the sake of your identity!)



LESSON 3: AUTHORITY

One of the foundational heart issues in the life of every child is authority (see Ephesians 6:1-4). Teaching and modeling the protective beauty of authority is one of the foundations of good parenting.

1. When your children question or break the rules, do you tend to respond with threats, manipulative rewards, or shame? Why do these tactics fail to get to the heart of your children's behavior?
2. How are you working to establish biblical authority early, and in the little moments of parenting? Are you tempted to ignore authority battles because you think the issue at hand is unimportant? (The resistance is not over the issue at hand; it's a heart battle against God's authority!)
3. Do you humbly own the rebellion of your own heart as you deal with the rebellion of your children? How will this help you exercise authority that is patient and gracious?
4. Is your exercise of authority inconsistent because it's often shaped by the emotion of the moment? How can you represent that authority of God in a beautiful, consistent way?
5. What can you do to impress your kids with God's patience, mercy, and love? What can you say to frame authority as God-ordained for their help, benefit and rescue?



LESSON 4: FALSE GODS

You are parenting a worshiper, so it's important to remember that what rules your child's heart will control their behavior. We all have the ability to worship false gods in the mundane moments of everyday life (See numerous passages, including Ex. 20:3, Deut 11:16, 30:6, 1 Cor. 10:14, etc).

1. Were you surprised or confused by something your child said or did recently? How does the theology of worship of the heart make sense out of this moment?
2. Did you worship any false gods this week? How does humbly owning the worship of your own heart help you deal with the idolatry of your children?
3. What is your child obsessed with? When do they get the most angry or upset? What do they hate being told to do? What does this reveal about what they may idolize in their hearts?
4. Do you tend to get overly irritated or discouraged in these moments? How can you remind yourself of this truth: If your eyes ever see or your ears ever hear the idolatry of your children, it's never an accident, hassle, or interruption; it's always grace!
5. How can you help your blind children see their idolatry? In what ways can you lead them to confession, on their own? What idols in your own heart do you need to overcome to be a better instrument of sight and confession?

