





Straight paths
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Isaiah 38:19

19 The living, the living, he thanks you,
as I do this day; the father makes known to
the children your faithfulness. (ESV)



Jesaja 39

5 Toe het Jesaja vir Hiskia gesê: “Luister na hierdie boodskap van die Here, die Almagtige: 6 ‘Die tyd kom dat alles wat jy het, al die skatte wat jou voorouers opgegaar het, na Babel weggedra sal word. Niks sal daarvan oorbly nie,’ sê die Here.



Jesaja 39

7 “Van jou seuns sal ook weggeneem word in ballingskap. Hulle sal ontman word sodat hulle in die paleis van die koning van Babel kan dien.”



Jesaja 39

8 Toe het Hiskia vir Jesaja gesê: “Hierdie boodskap wat jy vir my van die Here af gebring het, is goed.” Want intussen het Hiskia by homself gedink: “Ten minste sal daar vrede en voorspoed in mý tyd wees!”



2 Kings 21:1-2

1Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty-five years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hephzibah. 2And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, according to the despicable practices of the nations whom the LORD drove out before the people of Israel. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:3

3 For he rebuilt the high places that Hezekiah his father had destroyed, and he erected altars for Baal and made an Asherah, as Ahab king of Israel had done, and worshiped all the host of heaven and served them. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:4-5

4And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD had said, "In Jerusalem will I put my name." 5And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:6

6 And he burned his son as an offering and used fortune-telling and omens and dealt with mediums and with necromancers. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking him to anger. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:7

7And the carved image of Asherah that he had made he set in the house of which the LORD said to David and to Solomon his son, "In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put my name forever. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:8

8 And I will not cause the feet of Israel to wander anymore out of the land that I gave to their fathers, if only they will be careful to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the Law that my servant Moses commanded them.” (ESV)



2 Kings 21:9

9 But they did not listen, and Manasseh led them astray to do more evil than the nations had done whom the LORD destroyed before the people of Israel. (ESV)



2 Kings 21:16

16 Moreover, Manasseh shed very much innocent blood, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another, besides the sin that he made Judah to sin so that they did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. (ESV)



2 Chronicles 33:12-13

12 And when he was in distress, he entreated the favour of the Lord his God and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers. 13 He prayed to Him and God was moved by his entreaty and heard his plea and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom.... (ESV)



2 Chronicles 33:12-13

13 Then Manasseh knew that the Lord was God....15 And he took away the foreign gods and the idol from the house of the Lord, and all the altars that he had built on the mountain of the house of the lord and in Jerusalem and he threw them outside of the city. (ESV)



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Isaiah 40 (NKJV)

“Comfort, yes, comfort My people!”
Says your God.

² “Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to
her, that her warfare is ended,
That her iniquity is pardoned;



Isaiah 40 (NKJV)

For she has received from the LORD's hand
Double for all her sins."

³ The voice of one crying in the wilderness:
"Prepare the way of the LORD;
Make straight in the desert
A highway for our God.



Psalm 145:3-4

3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable. 4 One
generation shall commend your works to
another, and shall declare your mighty acts.



Deuteronomy 6:4-7

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.”



Deuteronomy 6:4-7

“You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”



Teaching diligently

1. Family Devotions
2. Individual Devotions
3. Corporate Prayer
4. Individual Prayer
5. Point to Christ in the midst of suffering
6. Confessing our sin together
7. Loving the local spiritual family.



Teaching diligently

1. Family Devotions

Read the Bible Together:

You Version Family Bible Plans:

- G.R.A.S.P (7 days)
- Jesus Centred Family Devotions (7days)
- Creating compassionate families (6days)

Have the Bible visible in the home.



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2. Individual Devotions

Teach them to listen to the Voice of God.

Read the Word.

Journal the Word.

Stand on the Word.



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3. Corporate Prayer

Stand together in faith for small and big things.



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4. Individual Prayer

Teach them the Our Father.

Demonstrate prayer.

Encourage them, don't command them.



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5. Point to Christ in suffering

“God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks to us in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: It is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.” C.S. Lewis



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6. Confessing our sin together.

“The Key to the family functioning as a redemptive community, where the Gospel is the glue that holds the family together, is parents who so trust in Christ that they are ready and willing to confess their faults to their children.” Paul David Tripp



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7. Loving the local spiritual family.

Demonstrate a life of consistent service to others.

Prioritise time of corporate worship and reading the Word.



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