

# **Parent Trap: The Religion Trap**

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1. What do you love enough to want to pass on to your children? How have you attempted to pass these things on to your kids?
2. To what extent are you focused on transferring your faith to your children?
3. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9. Why is it so significant that we “live it before we give it” – focusing our faith on loving God first rather than focusing on transference?
4. Are you spiritually more focused on the external or internal aspects of your faith? How is this evident in your choices each day?
5. Read 2 Timothy 1:5. In what ways have you been impacted by the sincerity of another person’s faith – parents or otherwise?
6. Is your spiritual life characterized by authenticity or hypocrisy? How is this perceived by your children?
7. How would you characterize your relationship with God’s Word? How are you affected by participation in worship? Why are these two aspects good thermometers for the sincerity of our faith?
8. Read Ephesians 3:17-19. What do you pray for your children? What difference could praying this passage make in their lives?
9. Read Deuteronomy 6:20. What do spiritual conversations look like in your house – fire hose, barricade, or spiritual interpreter?
10. If God did in your child’s life only what you specifically asked for in prayer, what would their spiritual life look like?
11. If your child’s spiritual life became exactly like yours, would you feel that you had succeeded as a parent? Why or why not?
12. If your child were asked to write out all that he or she has learned about God from you, what would he or she write?