Resources for Parents to Disciple their Children

1. Spiritual Foundations

- Books:
 - o Shepherding a Child's Heart by Tedd Tripp
 - Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family by Paul David Tripp
 - o Disciple-Making Parent by Chap Bettis
- Devotionals:
 - o Family Worship by Donald S. Whitney
 - Long Story Short: Ten-Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God by Marty Machowski
 - o Indescribable: 100 Devotions About God and Science by Louie Giglio
- Websites & Apps:
 - o The Bible App for Kids (Interactive Bible stories for children)
 - o Focus on the Family's Parenting Section (www.focusonthefamily.com)

2. Bible Knowledge

- Children's Bibles:
 - o The Jesus Storybook Bible by Sally Lloyd-Jones
 - o The Action Bible by David C. Cook
 - o The Big Picture Story Bible by David R. Helm
- Bible Study Guides for Families:
 - o Foundations for Kids: A 260-Day Bible Reading Plan for Children by Robby Gallaty
 - o The Ology: Ancient Truths Ever New by Marty Machowski
- Online Tools:
 - BibleProject Kids (<u>www.bibleproject.com</u>) Explains Bible themes through videos.

3. Prayer

- Books:
 - o Praying Circles Around Your Children by Mark Batterson
 - o The Power of a Praying Parent by Stormie Omartian
- Guides and Resources:
 - Prayer Cards for Kids by Seeds Family Worship (teaching prayer through Scripture)
 - o 31 Biblical Virtues to Pray for Your Kids by Bob Hostetler (printable guide)
- Activities:
 - Create a family prayer journal to document prayer requests and answered prayers.

4. Worship and Devotions

- Music Resources:
 - o Seeds Family Worship (Scripture-based worship songs for kids and families)
 - o Slugs & Bugs: Sing the Bible by Randall Goodgame
- Devotionals:
 - o Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing by Sally Lloyd-Jones
 - o Our 24 Family Ways: A Family Devotional Guide by Clay Clarkson
- Videos and Podcasts:
 - o *Minno Kids* Streaming Service (faith-based videos for children)
 - o Adventures in Odyssey (audio dramas with Christian values)

5. Character and Virtues

- Books:
 - o Instructing a Child's Heart by Tedd & Margy Tripp
 - o Raising Grateful Kids in an Entitled World by Kristen Welch
- Curriculum:
 - o *Kids of Integrity* (Free online character development lessons)
 - Character Sketches from the Pages of Scripture by Institute in Basic Life Principles
- Activities:
 - Monthly family challenges focusing on specific virtues like kindness, patience, or honesty.

6. Apologetics and Worldview

- Books:
 - o Cold-Case Christianity for Kids by J. Warner Wallace
 - o Mama Bear Apologetics by Hillary Morgan Ferrer (Parent resource)
 - o Keeping Your Kids on God's Side by Natasha Crain
- Activities:
 - Discuss tough questions about faith with answers from Answers in Genesis (www.answersingenesis.org).
 - Watch apologetics videos from Sean McDowell or Ravi Zacharias International Ministries.

7. Parenting Practicalities

Books:

- o Boundaries with Kids by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend
- o Raising Kingdom Kids by Tony Evans
- o *Grace-Based Parenting* by Tim Kimmel

Websites:

o *Parent Cue* (www.theparentcue.org) – Practical parenting tips aligned with biblical principles.

• Workshops:

o Enroll in FamilyLife's Art of Parenting (workshop or video series).

8. Technology and Media

- Books:
 - o The Tech-Wise Family by Andy Crouch
 - o Screen Kids by Gary Chapman and Arlene Pellicane
- Guides:
 - Covenant Eyes (Internet accountability for families)
 - Axis Culture Translator (<u>www.axis.org</u>) Understanding the impact of media and culture on teens.
- Resources:
 - o Plugged In by Focus on the Family (Media reviews for parents).

9. Service and Missions

- Books:
 - o Raising World Changers in a Changing World by Kristen Welch
 - Window on the World: An Operation World Prayer Resource for Kids by Daphne Spraggett
- Activities:
 - o Partner with local ministries or community outreach programs.
 - Create a family mission project, such as adopting a missionary family to support in prayer and giving.

10. Marriage as a Parenting Model

- Books:
 - o Marriage and the Family: Biblical Essentials by Andreas Kostenberger
 - o Love Like You Mean It by Bob Lepine
- Podcasts:
 - o Focus on the Family's Marriage Podcast
 - o FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember resources.
- Activities:

o Model biblical conflict resolution and prayer for children to observe.