

#### SCRIPTURE MARK 4:1-9

Parable of the Sower or Parable of the Good Earth? The command to *listen* implies being present to the moment and paying attention.

The notion of *good* earth suggests agency in the actions of the farmer.



### TRADITION

**EXPECTATIONS** 

Traditions shape our expectations of the environment in which our children are formed (our families) and the fruit that is expected (child's behavior, decisions, actions).



#### **VITAL WITNESS**

**EXPERIENCE** 

Reflect on the *ideals*that guide your
parenting decisions.
Reflect on what brings
out the best in you and
in your child. Consider
forming a plan that
helps you and your child
be your best selves as
frequently as possible.



#### **SCIENCE**

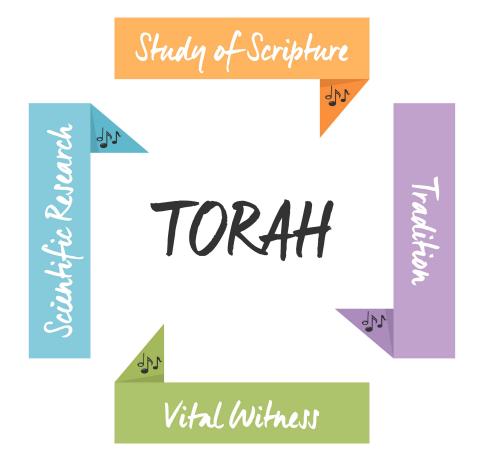
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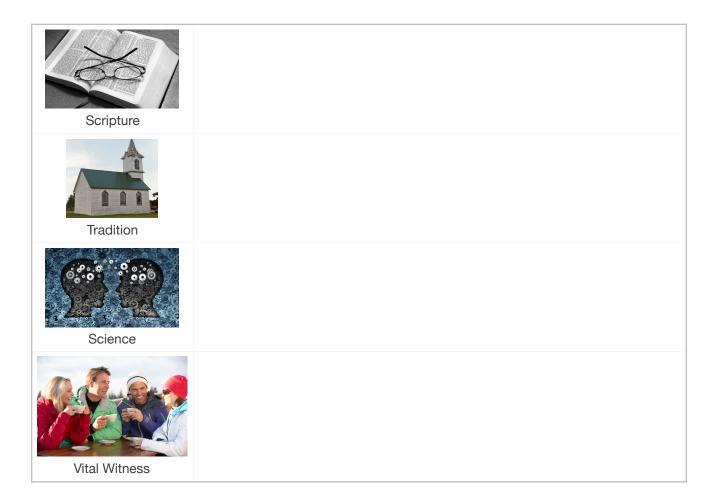
Children thrive in an environment in which their primary caregivers provide a secure base from which to explore and a safe haven to return to for comfort when emotions become overwhelming or a situation too much.

# WHAT MAKES THE SOIL GOOD?

Introduction

## Framework for Learning: A Conversation...





# **Making Covenant**

Remember the characteristics of environments that help you feel safe.  Write those characteristics in the box to the right.	
Covenant-Making Conversation	Note: Decide who will be responsible for documenting the covenant and creating a version of it that everyone can sign.