About these Milestones

The greatest joy of any Christian parent is when their child accepts Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior!

While no parent has control over when or even if this happens, they do have the joy and responsibility of clearly presenting Christ and shepherding their child toward Him. It is often during these years of 6-9 that children first clearly understand the Gospel and their need to respond to it.

Baptism is another wonderful event. It is done after one becomes a follower of Christ Jesus. It is an outward demonstration of an inward change, a public testimony of new life in Christ!

Communion is also a celebration of Christ followers as they remember His sacrifice on the Cross for their sin, identify themselves as a part of the body of believers and look forward to Christ's certain return.

Major Milestones: Accepting Christ, Baptism & Communion

Suggestions to Celebrate these Milestones

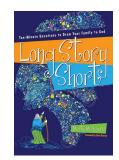
- Record the date when your child accepts Christ and give a gift such as a Cross or new Bible
- Add Milestones to their Milestone collection for each of these important spiritual events.
- Begin celebrating their "new birth" date annually. Recite important verses such as John 3, or 2 Corinthians 5
- Have a party with friends and family the day of Baptism. Pray a blessing over your child

Goals for this Age

- Work through Gary Rohrmayer's book with your child
- Have regular devotions with your family
- Make sure your child knows your spiritual goals for him/her
- Create a running prayer board in your home giving God glory as He answers prayer
- Teach your child to share the Gospel
- Know your child's love language

Resources and helps

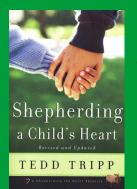
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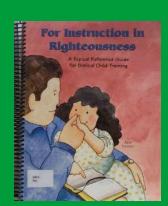
Shepherding a Child's Heart

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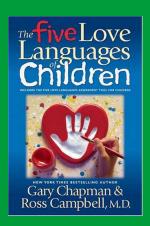


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The five Love Languages of Children Gary Chapman & Ross Campbell



Helpful Websites:

Connectedfamilies.org
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church.family.org
familylife.com/articles/topics/parenting
familyvisionministry.org
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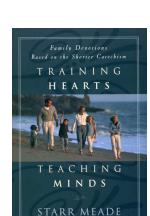
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