

AND GOD CREATED CHILDREN

Psalm 127:1-5 Jeff Schreve

Behold, children are a gift of the Lord; the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. Psalm 127:3-4

What does God want to teach us about children?

1. Children are a gift from God.

A. They are a wonderful gift.

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B. They are a joyous gift.

How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

Psalm 127:5

C. They are a precious gift.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5

2. Children are a responsibility from God.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth.

Psalm 127:4

A. Like arrows, children need to be shaped.

Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6

B. Like arrows, children need to be sharpened.

1. Teach them the things of God.

And these words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your sons 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 up.

Deuteronomy 6:6

2. Model for them the things of God.

Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe. 1 Timothy 4:12

3. Make time for them while there still is time.

3. **Children are to be a force for God.**

How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them; they shall not be ashamed, when they speak with their enemies in the gate. Psalm 127:5

A. They are not to bring you shame.

B. They are to bring God glory.

Will you let the LORD have His way?