



Training for Service

HOW DO OUR CHILDREN LEARN TO SERVE?

Training for Service: Moses

- ▶ Background: Exodus 1 – 6; Acts 7:22
- ▶ Life divided into three section
 - ▶ 1 – 40 From Rags to Riches; Slave to Prince
 - ▶ 40 – 80 Enrolled in God's Desert Training School=
Sheep Management
 - ▶ 80 – 120 Leading sheep like whiners who rebel repeatedly.

Transmitting Values: Deuteronomy

- 1 – 4 Reflections upon the Past
 - 5 – 26 Choices for the Present
 - 27 – 34 Choices for the Future
- “Choose life.”

Deuteronomy 8

What is in your heart? (v.2)

Humility can be taught by hunger (v.3)

God was disciplining that generation (v.5)

You will be given abundant wealth. (7-10)

Don't get confused about who owns what (17
– 18)

What I wish for You – Paul Harvey

- ▶ We tried so hard to make things better for our kids that we made them worse.

For my grandchildren, I'd like better. I'd really like for them to know about hand-me down clothes and homemade ice cream and leftover meatloaf sandwiches. I really would.

My cherished grandson, I hope you learn humility by being humiliated, and that you learn honesty by being cheated. I hope you learn to make your bed and mow the lawn and wash the car. And I really hope nobody gives you a brand new car when you are sixteen. I hope you have a job by then. It will be good if at least one time you can see a baby calf born and your old dog put to sleep.

What I wish for You – Paul Harvey

- ▶ I hope you get a black eye fighting for something you believe in. I hope you have to share a bedroom with your younger brother. And it's all right if you have to draw a line down the middle of the room, but when he wants to crawl under the covers with you because he's scared, I hope you let him.
- ▶ I hope you have to walk uphill to school with your friends and that you live in a town where you can do it safely.

On rainy days when you have to catch a ride I hope your driver doesn't have to drop you two blocks away so you won't be seen riding with someone as uncool as your mom.

What I wish for You – Paul Harvey

May you skin your knee climbing a mountain, burn your hand on stove and stick your tongue on a frozen flagpole. I hope you get sick when someone blows cigar smoke in your face. I hope if you ever try beer that it makes you sick. And if a friend offers you drugs or a joint, I hope you realize he is not your friend.

I sure hope you make time to sit on a porch with your grandpa and go fishing with your uncle.

May you feel sorrow at a funeral and the joy of holidays. I hope your mother punishes you when you throw a baseball through a neighbor's window and that she hugs you and kisses you when you make her a hand made personal gift.

The Greatest Gift

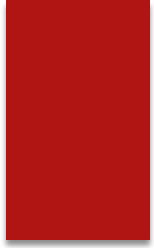
Steve and Annie Chapman

- ▶ “You can give your children houses.
- ▶ You can give them land.
- ▶ The riches of your efforts and all your best laid plans
- ▶ But of all that they inherit Of all that you could will
- ▶ Please include the unseen treasure of a life that God has filled.
- ▶ Cause the greatest gift a father can give is a life lived for Jesus.
- ▶ And the greatest gift a mother can give is the knowledge of the Lord
- ▶ Pass it on to your children The greatest gift is a life lived for Jesus.
- ▶ One day the house will crumble and Time will turn the land to dust
- ▶ And when all accounts are empty Where will you invest their trust?
- ▶ But if the riches you give them is the wisdom of his ways.
- ▶ Then the wealth you leave your children will last through all their days.”



Matthew 7:13-14 "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."





Wash Day



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