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Every parent has approximately 936 weeks to spend with their child from birth to high school graduation. Imagine those 936 weeks as marbles in a jar, and with each week that goes by you take a marble out. Do the math. Based on your child's age, how many marbles do you have left in the jar?

As parents of preschoolers, we should look into the future and parent our children in a way that will mold and form who we would like to see them be as adults. What are some important qualities you would like to see in your adult child? Loving, kind, God-fearing, compassionate...these are just a few! What can we do to help them develop those qualities?

Obviously our number one priority as parents is loving our children unconditionally, and of course we want them to know and love the Lord! But how do we accomplish that? We start by ensuring that they have the right type of influence in their lives. This includes:

- Regularly reading the Bible
- Regularly spending time in prayer
- Regularly serving someplace in church
- Listening primarily to Christian music
- Participating in church mission trips/projects

The best person to influence your child's future is you! You are the Primary Faith Trainer and God has given you the responsibility of making sure your child has the right influences in his/her life. Evaluate what that looks like and spend some time praying about the person your child will become! Model what it looks like to pray, read the Bible, worship and serve for your child. Be present and consistent in these things, lean on the Lord for wisdom and guidance, and pray for your child to know and love the Lord and to desire a life lived for Him. Start building the foundation now, in the younger years, and your child will carry this with them through life!

