

True Colors for Parents

John 17:14-17

"Therefore, I love Your commandments Above gold, yes, above fine gold." Psalm 119:127 (NASB)

The current culture is hostile toward anyone who affirms
The culture defines truth as
"In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes." Judges 21:25 (NASB)
The culture defines truth by the
"Then Pilate said to him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this purpose, I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice. Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. John 18: 37-38 (ESV)
Followers of Jesus embrace the standard of truth.
"For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment <i>as to</i> what to say and what to speak." John 12:49 (NASB)

"And you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." John 8:32 (ESV)

Psalm 119:160 (NASB)

"The sum of Your word is truth, and every one of Your righteous ordinances is everlasting.

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Children need firm guardrails that do not change to feel secure.
"Jesus *said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me." John 14:6 (NASB)
"They *came and *said to Him, 'Teacher, we know that You are truthful and defer to no one; for You are not partial to any but teach the way of God in truth. Is it lawful to pay a poll-tax to Caesar, or not?'" Mark 12:14 (NASB)
Why does this matter?
Teenagers needs a source of authority—not simply "because I said so."
The test of conviction is not what you say, but what you do.
Parents must model the beliefs and attitudes we desire to reproduce in our children.