

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO THE 80's

Part 2: "Growing Pains"

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"No habit or practice is neutral. That is not to say that every habit is a thick one, but only that even our thinnest habits and practices ultimately get hooked up into desires that point at something ultimate"

James Smith, Desiring the Kingdom

WHAT KIND OF CULTURE DO WE HAVE AT HOME?

Research says...

Faith + Open discussion + Warmth = More likely to have an effect on children

Attending church or holding religious stances **ALONE**, tends to suppress faith in children

The Good Life- It is determined by the culture (thin and thick practices) we set around us.

IF YOU WANT TO _	CULTURE
YOU NEED TO SET	Α

"And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, 'In you shall all the nations be blessed.""

Galatians 3:8 (ESV)

"All right," Jacob replied, "but trade me your rights as the firstborn son." Look, I'm dying of starvation!" said Esau. "What good is my birthright to me now?" 33 But Jacob said, "First you must swear that your birthright is mine." So Esau swore an oath, thereby selling all his rights as the firstborn to his brother, Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and lentil stew. Esau ate the meal, then got up and left. He showed contempt for his rights as the firstborn."

Genesis 25:31-34 (NLT)

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, 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.

You **shall bind them** as a sign on your hand, and they **shall be as frontlets** between your eyes. You **shall write them** on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Deuteronomy 6:5-9 (ESV)

"For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, **be imitators of me**. That is why I sent you Timothy, my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, to remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach them everywhere in every church."

1 Corinthians 4: 15-17 (ESV)

TO CREATE A CULTURE THAT REFLECTS GOD AT HOME...

YOU NEED TO BE THE _	YOU
WANT YOUR KIDS TO	