

TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE SHOULD GO

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

What a responsibility is ours if God has given us little children in the home. Now they are pliable. The time will come when they will be rigidly set and extremely hard to change.

It is easy to train a little plant to grow up in a particular way. A wind may cause it to lean in this direction or that. Once established the plant may continue for many years after it has become a mighty tree.

How foolish it is for anyone who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and believes in God's Word to send his child to be trained for many hours a week by an unbeliever. If a little child hears one hour a week in Sunday school that God controls all things and then on many hours each day for five days a week he hears the world explained with God left out of account, in what direction is he apt to be bent? Which influence is going to be greater? The answer would seem to be self-evident. It is the duty of every parent to investigate the teachers into whose hands his children are given, to make sure that they are believers in Christ and not enemies of God's Word.

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