# Raising Sons to Become Godly Leaders



A 7-day study on guiding sons toward godly leadership through vision, discipline, and prayerful parenting.





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#### Introduction

Parenting with purpose is one of the most important callings we receive, especially when raising sons destined to lead. As fathers and mothers, we are entrusted with influencing character, values, and faith in a way that prepares young men not only to face the world but to lead it with godly wisdom and integrity. *Leadership* is a quality that is not inherited automatically; it is nurtured, shaped by discipline, vision, and a consistent walk with God.

In this 7-day Bible study, we will explore Scripture that guides parents in fostering qualities of leadership in their sons. You will discover how to lay a solid foundation of faith, set a vision driven by God's truth, and apply discipline as an expression of love. Prayer will be a centerpiece because raising leaders cannot succeed without seeking God's heart and strength daily.

As your son grows, he needs to know he is deeply valued and equipped by a loving parent who acts with intentionality. Whether your son is young or entering adulthood, this study offers practical, scriptural insights into raising sons who lead well—whether in their families, communities, or churches. Each day's devotional invites you to engage deeply with God's Word and reflect on how you can embody leadership qualities yourself to guide your son by example.

Let this journey encourage you in your parenting role, build your faith, and empower your son to rise as a godly leader who influences with humility,







strength, and wisdom. Embrace this calling with open hands and a prayerful heart, knowing God is with you every step of the way.

















#### Your Verse

Proverbs 29:18 - "Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Habakkuk 2:2 "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it."
- Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."







# Devotional: Foundations of Godly Vision for Your Son

Leadership begins with a clear vision. As parents, we must seek God's revelation for our sons' futures and cultivate a shared vision that aligns with His purpose. Without vision, discipline might feel futile and directionless. Proverbs 29:18 reminds us that when vision is missing, people lose selfcontrol, but when God's wisdom guides us, restraint and purpose flourish.

Writing down your hopes and prayers for your son can solidify that vision and serve as a tangible reminder of God's promises. God already knows the plans He has for each child—plans filled with hope and a future (Jeremiah 29:11). Aligning your parenting goals with God's vision requires faith, patience, and a willingness to listen deeply to His voice.

Ask God to reveal the kind of leader He wants your son to become. Reflect on the qualities that matter most and how you, as a parent, can model those qualities daily. Starting with vision anchors your leadership parenting journey in God's eternal plan rather than temporary worldly standards.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	What specific vision do I currently have for my son's future leadership?
2.	How can I better align my parenting goals with God's revealed plans?
3.	In what ways can I make this vision clear and tangible for my family?
4.	Am I regularly seeking God's guidance about my son's growth and calling?











# **Journaling Prompts**

	Write down your current vision for your son as a leader and why it matters.
2.	List practical ways you can communicate this vision to your son.
	Reflect on a time when God revealed a new understanding about your son's potential.







# Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for entrusting me with the precious gift of parenting. Help me to seek Your vision daily for my son's life and leadership. Open my eyes to see the plans You have for him—plans full of hope and purpose. Give me wisdom to guide him rightly and the courage to model Your truth. May Your Spirit direct our family path and build within him the heart of a leader who honors You. In Jesus' name, I pray. *Amen.*  $\bigwedge$ 

















#### Your Verse

Proverbs 11:3 – "The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Psalm 78:72 "And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them."
- 1 Timothy 4:12 "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."







## Devotional: Building Leadership Rooted in Integrity

Integrity is the foundation of true leadership. Without honesty and a consistent character, leadership loses its power and influence. Proverbs 11:3 highlights that a leader's integrity serves as a guiding light both for themselves and those they lead.

David, a man after God's own heart, led with integrity and skillful hands (Psalm 78:72). This balance of character and competence is essential for young men who aspire to lead. As parents, we must deliberately teach integrity—not just through words but through embodying it ourselves.

Your son will observe the ways you respond to challenges, maintain honesty in relationships, and uphold godly values. Remind him that leadership is not about status or popularity but about faithful stewardship and moral courage. Encourage him to be an example in speech and conduct, no matter his age or stage (1 Timothy 4:12).

Developing integrity requires discipline and accountability—offer these with grace and love, pointing him back to Christ's example of perfect truthfulness and love.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	How do I demonstrate integrity in my daily life as a parent and leader?
	What stories or examples can I share with my son about integrity in leadership?
	Are there areas where my son needs guidance to grow in honesty and reliability?
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4. How can I cultivate an environment where integrity is honored and celebrated?





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# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a leader you admire who exemplifies integrity and why.
2.	Identify key integrity traits you desire your son to develop.
3.	Reflect on how you can better model integrity in your parenting.







# Prayer for Today

**Lord Almighty,** teach me to lead with integrity and to raise my son to do the same. Help us both to walk in honesty, faithfulness, and courage, even when it's difficult. Let our words and actions reflect Your truth and love, shaping his heart to be trustworthy and pure. May integrity become the bedrock of his character and leadership. In Jesus' name, Amen. (?) • •

















#### Your Verse

Hebrews 12:11 - "No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Proverbs 22:6 "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."
- Ephesians 6:4 "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."







#### Devotional: Love-Filled Discipline Builds Righteous Leaders

Discipline is an act of love and stewardship, essential for raising sons who lead well. Hebrews 12:11 reminds us that though discipline can be hard in the moment, it ultimately cultivates righteousness and peace. Parenting with discipline reflects God's loving correction toward growth and maturity.

Proverbs 22:6 encourages us to start our children on the right path early, trusting God with their long-term hearts. Discipline is most effective when paired with tender care and encouragement, avoiding frustration that can alienate rather than build up (Ephesians 6:4).

Discipline shapes character, self-control, and respect—traits necessary for leadership. It teaches boundaries and obedience, not to limit freedom but to foster wise decisions and integrity. As a parent, praying for patience and wisdom daily allows discipline to reflect God's grace rather than mere rules.

Remember, consistent loving discipline helps produce leaders who can face trials, make right choices, and influence others positively.







# Reflect and Apply

1. How do I view discipline—as punishment or as training for growth?
2. Am I consistent in applying discipline with love and patience?
3. What disciplines do I need to develop personally to lead better?
4. In what ways can I help my son understand the heart behind discipline?













# **Journaling Prompts**

	Recall a time when discipline from a parent positively impacted your character.
2.	List practical steps for disciplining your son that reflect God's love.
3.	Write a prayer asking God to help you discipline wisely and lovingly.







# Prayer for Today

**Gracious Father,** grant me a heart that disciplines with love and patience. Help me to train my son in Your ways, producing righteousness and peace in his life. May every correction draw him closer to You and prepare him to lead with wisdom and grace. Thank You for Your perfect example of loving discipline. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\heartsuit$ 









# Day 4: W Leading by Example









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#### Your Verse

1 Corinthians 11:1 - "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Deuteronomy 6:6-7 "These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."
- Philippians 4:9 "Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."







Day 4: 😂 Leading by Example

# Devotional: Living Faith Inspires Godly Leaders

**True leadership is caught more than taught.** Paul urges us to follow his example as he follows Christ, setting the highest standard for leadership (1 Corinthians 11:1). As parents, our lives are the most powerful curriculum for our sons.

Deuteronomy 6 reminds us to consistently share God's commands, not merely through instruction but through everyday life—our speech, actions, attitudes, and decisions. Our sons watch and learn from how we navigate challenges, love others, and keep our faith alive.

Paul's encouragement in Philippians 4:9 calls us to put into practice what we believe and teach consistently. Living authentic faith nurtures leadership qualities in our children far beyond words alone.

To raise godly leaders, be the living example of humility, integrity, faith, and love. Your son will be shaped by your footsteps, so walk daily with intentionality and reliance on Christ.







Day 4: 🖏 Leading by Example

# Reflect and Apply

1.	Am I modeling the qualities I want to see in my son as a leader?
2.	In what ways does my daily life demonstrate Christlike leadership?
3.	What changes can I make to better exemplify godly leadership?
4.	How can I involve my son in seeing and practicing leadership alongside me?











Day 4: 🖏 Leading by Example

# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a leader in your life whose example impacted you deeply.
2.	Make a list of leadership traits you currently demonstrate well.
3.	Reflect on areas where your example could improve to better lead your son.







Day 4: 😢 Leading by Example

# **Prayer for Today**

**Lord Jesus,** help me to lead by example as I follow You. May my actions, words, and heart reflect Your love and wisdom so my son can learn what godly leadership truly looks like. Guide me to live authentically in faith each day and influence him in ways that honor You. Thank You for being the ultimate model for us all. Amen. (?)

















Day 5: Growing Spiritual Strength

#### Your Verse

Joshua 1:9 - "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Ephesians 6:10 "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power."
- Psalm 27:1 "The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?"







Day 5: Growing Spiritual Strength

# Devotional: Rooting Leadership in God's Strength

Spiritual strength is essential to godly leadership. Leaders must be strong and courageous, not relying on their own power but on God's presence and might. Joshua 1:9 reminds us that God commands us to be brave because He is always with us.

The Apostle Paul similarly encourages believers in Ephesians 6:10 to be strong in the Lord's powerful strength, not their own. This spiritual empowerment equips leaders to face challenges confidently, standing firm in faith.

Psalm 27 exalts the Lord as our light and stronghold, providing the security and courage needed to lead under pressure. Teaching your son to depend on God daily builds spiritual resilience, allowing him to respond with peace and resolve in a chaotic world.

As parents, we can pray for this strength, cultivate habits of Bible reading, and demonstrate reliance on God's power rather than human strength. Spiritual preparation sets the stage for courageous leadership that honors God and serves others.







Day 5: C Growing Spiritual Strength

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How do I model dependence on God's strength in my leadership?
2.	Does my son witness spiritual courage in our family life?
3.	What practices help build spiritual resilience and confidence in my son?
4.	How can I encourage a habit of trusting God for strength daily?













Day 5: C Growing Spiritual Strength

### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a time God gave you courage in a leadership role.
2.	List Scriptures that inspire strength and courage for your son.
3.	Reflect on spiritual disciplines you want to nurture in your son.







Day 5: Growing Spiritual Strength

### Prayer for Today

**Dear Lord,** thank You for being our source of strength and courage. Help me spiritually lead well, teaching my son to rely on Your mighty power. When challenges come, may we stand unshaken, confident that You go before us. Build in us boldness and peace, for Your presence is our shield. In Jesus' name, Amen.

















#### Your Verse

Mark 10:45 - "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Philippians 2:3-4 "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."
- John 13:14–15 "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."







# Devotional: Teaching Leadership Through Serving Others

**Leadership rooted in servanthood reflects Jesus' heart.** Mark 10:45 calls leaders to serve rather than seek to be served. True leadership embraces humility, putting others' needs above personal gain.

Philippians 2 exhorts believers to live with humility, valuing others and looking to their interests. This attitude counters selfish ambition and shapes leaders who care sincerely for those they lead.

Jesus modeled servant leadership profoundly by washing His disciples' feet (John 13:14–15), an act demonstrating love in service. Teaching your son to lead by serving helps him develop empathy, compassion, and humility—qualities essential for godly influence.

As a parent, encourage opportunities for your son to serve in family, church, and community. Share with him Christ's example and help him understand that great leaders give themselves for others.







### Reflect and Apply

1.	How does my son understand the meaning of servant leadership?
2.	Do I model humility and service in my leadership role?
3.	What opportunities exist for my son to practice serving others?
4.	How can I reinforce servant leadership as a core value in our home?













### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Describe a time you experienced servant leadership by someone else.
2.	Reflect on ways your son can serve in your family or church this week.
3.	Write a prayer asking God to cultivate humility and a servant heart in your son.







### Prayer for Today

**Jesus, Our Servant King,** help me lead with a heart of service and humility. Teach my son to value others above himself and to lead like You—selflessly and lovingly. May our home be a place of giving and compassion, reflecting Your example. Bless us with servant hearts that impact the world for Your glory. Amen.  $\heartsuit \circlearrowleft \r$ 









## Day 7: A Parenting in Prayer









Day 7: 🙏 Parenting in Prayer

#### Your Verse

Philippians 4:6 - "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

### **Supporting Scriptures**

- 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray continually."
- James 1:5 "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."







Day 7: A Parenting in Prayer

### Devotional: Empowering Leadership Through Prayer

**Prayer is the foundation and fuel for raising godly leaders.** Philippians 4:6 calls us to present every concern and hope for our sons to God through prayer with thanksgiving. Anxiety diminishes when we entrust their futures to God's loving hands.

Prayer is not one-time but continual (1 Thessalonians 5:17), covering every stage of parenting. God promises to give wisdom generously when we seek Him (James 1:5), providing guidance beyond our understanding.

Commit to praying specifically and regularly for your son's character, calling, protection, and growth. Invite him to join you in prayer, fostering his personal relationship with God and dependence on Him. This spiritual practice bonds your hearts and invites God's power into his leadership journey.

Remember, you are not alone. Prayer connects you to the ultimate Leader who orders all things for good and perfect purpose.







Day 7: 🙏 Parenting in Prayer

### Reflect and Apply

	How consistent and specific is my prayer for my son's leadership development?
2.	Do I encourage my son to cultivate a prayer life of his own?
3.	In what ways have I seen God answer prayers related to my son's growth?
4.	How can I deepen my dependence on God in parenting challenges?













Day 7: 🙏 Parenting in Prayer

### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write a list of prayer requests focused on your son's leadership qualities.
2.	Reflect on answers to prayer you have seen in parenting your son.
3.	Commit to creating a daily or weekly prayer routine for your son.







Day 7: A Parenting in Prayer

### **Prayer for Today**

**Father God,** I bring my son before You in prayer, trusting Your perfect wisdom and love. Help me to pray continually with faith, seeking Your guidance and protection over him. Fill our hearts with peace instead of anxiety, and empower my son to walk boldly in the leadership You have prepared. Teach us both to lean fully on You daily. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\bigwedge$ 







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