

DAD STRUGGLES AT HOME

One of the greatest struggles for me to nurture and live out faith in our home is...

STRUGGLE	Other Comments or Observations	Votes
Time and busyness	Regular devotions. Being present when you are present.	24.7%
Lack of self discipline	Familiarity and lack of connectedness. Self Disciplined. Modelling and structure in the home	12.6%
Fatigue	Spiritual exhaustion/ENERGY. I want to rest when I get home.	11.4%
Consistency	IMPLEMENTING of a plan. To make my family's spiritual development a priority. Being reactionary, rather than bringing God into situations on a regular basis.	9.7%
Personal spiritual walk	Personal struggles, and hypocrisy. Perfection, pride	7.3%
Children uninterested	Getting and keeping the kids attention. To be balanced - funny and serious. To give advice when needed and not wanted	6.3%
Self-image	Down on self. Confidence or vulnerability.	5.1%
To have meaningful devotions	Opportunity one on one. Age range of kids. Attention.	4.3%
Self control	Frustration at lack of Christlikeness. Extending grace and not venting about work. Temper and living the talk.	3.9%
Work issues		3.4%
My kids owning their faith.	Learning to start with them early. Teaching them discernment	2.4%
Engaging mentally and emotionally with family	Communication	2.2%
Marriage relationship	Harmony with spouse, dynamics. Carving out prayer time with wife. Lack of support.	1.6%
Letting go	Need to control	1.2%
Apathy	Attitude of enjoying vs. feeling like another chore. Wanting to be alone	1.2%
Time management		0.8%
Relationship with kids		0.6%
Not being intentional		0.4%
Leaving a legacy		0.4%
Don't know how to do it	Teaching kids right things the wrong way. Variety.	0.4%

DAD CELEBRATES AT HOME

Something that I've tried and had some success with nurturing faith in our home is...

CELEBRATION	Other Comments or Observations	Votes
Prayer	Blessings before school. Meal time prayer. Blessings at bedtime. Praying with kids at significant moments. Pray over them.	14.9%
Devotions	Breakfast. Dinner time devotions.	13.5%
Intentional conversation about God	Taking advantage of teachable moments. Date regularly kids and wife	12.3%
Personal spiritual growth	Lead by example. Modeling Faith characteristics. Producing prayer warriors	10.1%
Being spiritually transparent and vulnerable.	Being transparent whether good or bad. Asking for forgiveness. Showing love for kids and wife	8.1%
Time	Being involved in their activities. Recreation time together, inside and outside church.	6.3%
Serving together	Involvement in schools - serving	6.0%
Mealtime discussion	Pointing kids to God everyday.	5.8%
Open door policy. Sharing with them.	Affirmation and encouragement. Stopped ramming Christianity down their throats.	3.8%
Family worship	Scripture memorization. Music, singing, and prayers.	3.4%
Listening to them	Emails, daily conversations	3.0%
Consistency	Routine.	2.6%
Teachable moments	Spontaneously debriefing life.	2.6%
Family Mission trip		2.2%
Family journalling	Thankful prayers. Set up a Bible and journal in the dining room for family to write reflections throughout the day.	2.0%
Family spiritual holiday.	Once a year. Camp ministries. Marriage conference or retreat.	1.8%
Family spiritual growth plan	Have quarterly family meetings to review and plan.	0.8%
Tithing		0.2%
Communion at home	First communion	0.2%
Input from Grandparents		0.2%

DAD DREAMS AT HOME

Crazy dream to make faith happen in our home but I haven't tried...

DREAM	Other Comments or Observations	Votes
Family mission trip	Time away together is good. Mission/Cause. Father - son mission trip	28.1%
Have more time with kids	Go camping with kids and grandkids. Daddy dates. Travel together.	10.0%
Family service project	Combine interests and skills to SERVE.	9.0%
To see our children share their Faith with others, evangelism	To have kids be involved in ministry. My kids have their own revelation of Jesus.	7.4%
To be more consistent	Memorize (Isaiah 53). Family prayer. Transparency. Absolute dependency	7.4%
Be a stronger spiritual role model	The act of doing it -they will get it.	5.5%
Family devotions	Child led, family devotion. Weekly family night. Creativity and passion	4.8%
Blessing the children	To have a blessing of the baby.	3.9%
For all my kids to grow up and love the Lord/serving the Lord	My child will walk God's path.	3.5%
Personal renewal - Family renewal	A Christian cruise that focuses on the spiritual growth of the family.	3.2%
Courage/tact to demonstrate to unbelieving family what Christ means to me		3.2%
To find ways to impact our children	To help them follow their dreams. To make sure kids know they come first.	2.9%
Journal and write for children	Keeping a journal of prayers for our children and give it to them. Write letters to wife and kids. Write a book for each grandchild.	1.9%
Loving my wife more		1.6%
Take children to the Holy land to walk where Jesus walked.		1.3%
To go into full-time ministry	Missionary	1.0%
Build healthy self image into daughters	Convert Barbie/Princess stuff.	1.0%
Wisdom of how to serve the children	Discernment	0.6%
To share faith/Christ with families who share common experiences.	Children with disabilities	0.6%
To continue blessing in Grandkids, and help their parents		0.6%

Tuck each child into bed	0.6%
To have a three generation Faith discussion Multigenerational service, (church), or Local or cross cultural	0.3%
Treasure chest for marriage	0.3%
Sing Hymns together at home	0.3%
Common tattoo	0.3%
West minister catechism	0.3%