

A Child shows How

One Christian parent said, “We like to teach our children how to behave properly, how to be polite, how to be loving – which is very hard between brothers and sisters sometimes.

“It is a full-time job to train our children to act the way we believe God wants us to”.

“When they obey us and do what is right, even though we can see there is a struggle inside them - not really wanting to do it! – we are still very proud of them and we encourage them.”

“But what is really exciting is when they do something without being told, when they are loving or considerate and we haven’t actually stood behind them and told them to do that. You can see it in their eyes - they want to please us! It brings us a lot of joy when we see them growing in that way.”

Imagine how God feels when we adults choose to behave as he wants us to – without having to be prodded!

In our daily living we should - at the very least - outdo the responses of little children.

With our advantages of maturity, greater understanding of life, and more developed awareness of right and wrong, how much more accountable we are to God for how we live.

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GOOD NEWS IN BRIEF

The determination to obey God is not in the mind. It is in the will.

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