

# PARENTING: FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING

FINAL WORDS TO FAMILIES THEN AND NOW

DEUTERONOMY 6:1-13, 23-24



## The Heart of the Matter

If you knew that a person you admire was on his or her deathbed and wanted to speak to you, you would mark his or her words well. Such was the case with Moses, the redeemer of the ancient Hebrews. Standing on the edge of the Promised Land, Moses's final series of messages were heard with rapt attention. Especially memorable were his warnings and directives for the families who would outlive him. Even today, Moses's words are still relevant.



## Discovering the Way

### 1. Brief Review: Where Have We Been?

The journey of parenting has peaks and valleys. Here is a snapshot of the road we've traveled thus far.

### 2. Timeless Truths: What Principles Live On? (Deuteronomy 6:1-24)

Six principles from Moses's message to families four thousand years ago can sustain and strengthen our families today.

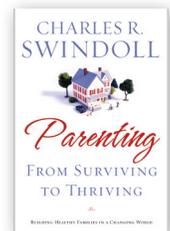


## Starting Your Journey

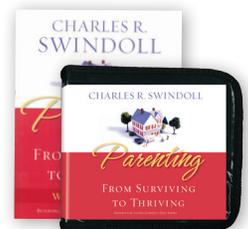
The essential message for families is summed up with three concentric circles, moving from God to family to others. First, love and obey your God—that will keep your heart soft. Second, take good care of your family—that will keep your priorities straight. Third, live peacefully with others—that will keep your relationships strong.



## Tools for Digging Deeper



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