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Deuteronomy 4:9

Only give heed to thyself, and keep your soul diligently, so that you do not forget the things which your eyes have seen and they do not depart from your heart all the days of your life: but make them known to your sons and your grandsons.

Introduction of Panel:

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4. How do you ensure that you are being a godly influence on your grandchildren?

5. What are your guidelines for giving your grandchildren gifts, clothes, toys, etc?

6. What are some wholesome fun activities you do with your grandchildren?

7. How would you best like to be remembered by your grandchildren?

Psalm 16:5-6

The Lord is the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You support my lot. The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; Indeed, my heritage is beautiful to me.

Psalm 71:18-19

And even when I am old and gray, O God, do not forsake me, until I declare your strength to this generation, your power to all who are to come. For your righteousness, O God, reaches to the heavens, you who have done great things; O God, who is like you?

Psalm 78:4-7

We will not conceal them from their children, but tell to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and His strength and His wondrous works that He has done. For He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers that they should teach them to their children, that the generation to come might know, *even* the children *yet* to be born, *that* they may arise and tell *them* to their children, that they should put their confidence in God and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments.

Psalm 92:12-15

The righteous man will flourish like the palm tree, he will grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still yield fruit in old age; they shall be full of sap and very green, to declare that the Lord is upright.

Psalm 103:17

But the lovingkindness of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and His righteousness to children's children.

Psalm 112:1-2

Praise the Lord! How blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. His descendants will be mighty on earth; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Psalms 145:4

One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.

Proverbs 13:22

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

Proverbs 17:6

Grandchildren are the crown of old men, and the glory of sons is their fathers.

Proverbs 20:7

A righteous man who walks in his integrity-How blessed are his sons after him.

II Timothy 1:5

For I am mindful of the sincere faith within you, which first dwelt in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am sure that it is in you as well.

II Timothy 3:14-15

You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Titus 2: 3

Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips, nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good.



There are two types of Grandparents

ACTIVE GRANDPARENTS

- *call their grandkids
- *know the grandkids' sizes
- *ask to babysit
- *mark grandkids' special events on their calendars
- *have the next trip to visit the distant grandkids planned
- *display the latest school picture in their wallets somewhere
- *can name their grandchild's very best friend



PASSIVE GRANDPARENTS

- *wait for the grandkids to call or visit
- *send a gift for the whole family
- *kids are a bother - they mess up the house!
- *read about special events in a letter after the fact
- *see the grandkids only when they stop by the house
- *toss the latest school pictures into a box
- *don't try to keep up with their grandkids' ages and grades



Petersburg Gospel Center, "A Grandparent's Influence",
<http://www.gospelcenterchurch.org/grandparent.html>;
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Recommended Books:

A Grandma Is a Gift from God- Emilie Barnes

Grandparenting: It's Not What It Used to Be- Irene M. Endicott

Grandparenting by Grace- Irene M. Endicott

Praying God's Will for my Grandchild- Lee Roberts

To the Parents of My Grandchildren- G.C. Willis