

Proverbs 1:8-9 NLT

My child, listen when your father corrects you. Don't neglect your mother's instruction. What you learn from them will crown you with grace and be a chain of honor around your neck.

## Your influence far outlast your presence!

When they are children build guardrails

Joshua 1:7 NLT

Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do.

When they are teens create guidelines

Isaiah 30:21 HCSB

...Whenever you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear this command behind you: "This is the way. Walk in it."

When they are young adults establish guideposts

Proverbs 4:20-22 NLT

My child, pay attention to what I say. Listen carefully to my words. Don't lose sight of them. Let them penetrate deep into your heart, for they bring life to those who find them, and healing to their whole body.

When they are grown set goalposts

1 Corinthians 14:1 RSV

Make love your aim, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophesy.

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 NLT

Make it your goal to live a quiet life, minding your own business and working with your hands, just as we instructed you before. Then people who are not believers will respect the way you live, and you will not need to depend on others.