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# RE- FLECTING GOD

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Judges 13:1-11

What a blessing it would be to first-time parents to have their first child come with instructions included. As we are introduced to the parents of Samson, Manoah and his wife, they find themselves being given very precise prenatal instructions, as well as specific directions as to how the child was to be raised.

Actually, we have been given instructions in the raising of our children. Just as "the man of God" gave Samson's parents instructions, the Word of God gives us instructions. One Scripture that comes to mind can be found in Proverbs 22:6, "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." The training of our children in the way of the Lord is the most important gift we will ever give them. Just like Samson's parents, we need the instructions that have been provided to us through the Word.

Our world today has much to say about how to bring up a child, some good, some not so good. We call that knowledge. The Word helps us to separate the good from the bad. We call that wisdom.

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