

RAISING FAITH-FILLED KIDS

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Moses Presenting the Tablets of Law, Raphael

Focus on Faith

Making Choices for Life

Moses knew that he was dying and that he would never see the land God had promised. As the people prepared to cross the River Jordan, Moses delivered one final sermon. He summarized what God wanted of his people. Moses told them to choose to follow God and to obey his commandments. Our children witness our choices every day. Are the choices they see in our lives those that will lead them to choose life in God?

Dinnertime Conversation Starter

Discuss with your child the choices that he or she had to make today in school or at home. Did these decisions affect his or her relationship with God? Help your child develop a method for making good decisions.

Hints for at Home



With your child make a Do the Right Thing display in your home. Trace and cut out doves, using this Holy Spirit pattern. Each time a member of your family makes a good choice, write the person's name on one of the doves.

Post the display in a prominent location and watch it grow as your child becomes more aware of the ways in which to do the right thing!



Spirituality in Action

Act as a moral barometer for your child. Discuss with him or her daily occurrences that require moral choices to be made. Guide your child to do the right thing through discussion of the issue at hand, its possible outcomes, the way you and God would want your child to act, and the circumstances and repercussions of the choice. Acknowledge and affirm your child's decision when he or she makes a good choice.

Focus on Prayer

Your child has reflected about the ways in which the Holy Spirit assists him or her in making good choices. With your child offer a prayer of thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit.

