

The Mission-Minded Homeschool

Releasing Your Family to God's Destiny – Ann and Christi Dunagan

In a mission-minded family, there's a God-infused energy. There's a focus on God's worldwide purpose, and there's a passion for the lost. There's a spiritual depth and hunger that reaches beyond the maintenance mode of cultural Christianity. A mission-minded family emphasizes leadership, calling, and destiny. There's a prevailing attitude of self-sacrifice and an emphasis on total submission to God's will. And there's an unmistakable and contagious joy. This workshop suggests practical ways for a homeschooling family to incorporate a heart for God's Great Commission into our everyday lives.

Powerful Dynamics of a Mission-Minded Family

Eternally Focused

7 Habits of Highly Effective People – by Stephen Covey

Begin with the end in mind – funeral: friends, family, coworkers, others

As Christians – It's not our Obituary – It's our Eternity

It's just not the opinion of those – our legacy – we will leave behind

It's the opinion of the ONE – our GOD - we go to meet - God's Crowns

Love God - Love Others | Great Commandment - Great Commission

WHY MISSIONS???

It's not extra-curricular; it's the CORE of our curriculum!

Our Call – Biblical Basis – Historical Heritage – World's Need – Our JOY!

Lives in SUB-mission

like roots of a fruit tree - growing DEEP – underground

like a submarine warship – advancing silently – under the surface

Prepared for pressure

like high/fast/intense - depends on the g-force you can handle

Is it tough?? (Wide path vs. Narrow path) – Matthew 7

1. g _____ normal earth pressure

2. g _____

3. g _____

4. g _____ intense roller-coaster

5. g _____

6. g _____

7. g _____ fighter pilot

Strategically Aimed – Together, as a family - and each member, individually following God

- Spiritually Bible/Discipleship/Prayer – Prayer Walks/Spots/Daily QT
 - Physically Health/Fitness/Food/Purity – Home life - discipline
 - Mentally Character/Fruit of the Spirit
 - Educationally History/Geography/Science/Reading/Writing/Art/Music
 - Financially Giving/Support/Stewardship – Its “Caught” not taught
- Divine Tension for our Family Bow (for Lord – for Lost)
 - Training On-Target - (legalism vs. obedience)
 - Aiming for God’s bulls-eye (missing the mark = SIN)
 - Ecclesiastes 7:14-15 – FEAR GOD – KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS
 - God will bring every SECRET thing into judgment
 - Romans 12:1-2 – Good/Acceptable/Perfect
 - One of the multitudes, one of the disciples, or the one Jesus loved
 - Letting Go – Releasing our children (and everything) to God
 - Like Hannah – Like Father of the Bride – Like Military Commission

Recommended Resources: *Operation World, Window on the World, Is That Really You God, Friend Raising, Missionary Biographies, Biographies, Bruchko, Daring to Live on the Edge, Trailblazers, Hero Tales, A Chance to Die (Amy Carmichael), Passion and Purity, Through Gates of Splendor, Peace Child, The Mission-Minded Child – Raising the Next Generation to Fulfill God’s Purpose, The Mission-Minded Family – Releasing your family to God’s Destiny, YWAM Books, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Gospel for Asia, The Voice of the Martyrs, Planet Word Bible, Caleb Resources*

Teaching with God’s Heart for the World – FREE one-year day-by-day unit-study curriculum – By Ann Dunagan – all the way through history – all around the world

M.A.P.S. for KIDS! – Missions Adventure Preparation School Free VBS idea

See links at: www.harvestreport.net/missionminded.htm

YOU CAN GO!! YWAM – Youth with a Mission, King’s Kids, Teen Missions, Teen Mania, AIMS, Teen Impact, EvangeCube (e3 resources), the JESUS Film Project, and many others.

Mission-Minded LIFE - Leadership, International vision, Family priorities – Educational purpose

We need to "aim" our children toward God's "mission" for their lives. And in order for our homeschooling to be effective (by God's standards), our "bow-string" must be strong and aligned to biblical priorities. A powerful bow is fastened tightly on two ends; and as Christian homeschoolers, we must keep two priorities in balance: God has a passion for our home (including our personal relationships with Him), and God has a passion our world! We won't all be foreign missionaries; but we're all called to be mission-minded.