

Your Preschooler is Wonderfully Made

IN THIS PHASE, THERE IS NO DISTINCTION BETWEEN IMAGINATION AND REALITY.

How can you engage in your preschooler's favorite imaginative play? *(Ex: Princesses, superheroes, train stations, a castle)*

ONE OF THE BEST THINGS ABOUT THIS AGE IS EVERYTHING CAN BE A GAME.

What learning activity can you turn into a game this year with your child? *(Ex: Clean up your toys, set the table, help make lunch)*

THEIR NEWFOUND CURIOSITY MAY BECOME A LITTLE EXHAUSTING. "Why?" "Why, Mom?" "But...why?"

They're just looking for more of the wonderful knowledge they know you must have as an adult person. *When you feel yourself getting impatient, pray for one way you want your child to GROW this year.*

PRESCHOOLERS NEED THEIR TANGIBLE NEEDS EMBRACED BY CONSISTENT INFLUENCERS SO THEY CAN BEGIN TO ESTABLISH PHYSICAL TRUST.

List FIVE people who are (or you want) building that trust in your child's life.

HELP YOUR PRESCHOOLER GROW CLOSER TO GOD

1. **Ignite their imagination.** *(Don't fight it.)* When it comes to details, they often embellish and confuse. If they want a monkey in the manger scene, let them have a monkey! Focus on the WONDER of Jesus being born rather than correcting them.
2. **Activate their senses.** They think like artists. Turn a Bible verse into a song, tell a story with hand motions, watch a video on the Bible App for Kids, eat bread and fish sticks, don't create more smells.
3. **Structure helps them feel safe enough to imagine and wonder about their Creator.** Schedule short times throughout the day that they will routinely know to experience God. Pray at the traffic light before preschool, point out what God made on walks, read bedtime devotions.

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