

Bible ranks low as resource for parenting

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A survey finds that while most parents want to improve their parenting skills, few look to the church or God's Word for guidance.

The survey was conducted by [LifeWay Research](#), the research arm of LifeWay Christian Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention. According to the results, 96 percent of parents said they try to be better parents.

However, 60 percent of parents use their own experiences as the primary source of guidance when it comes to parenting. And only 14 percent said they are very familiar with what the Bible says about parenting.

Scott McConnell with LifeWay Research says the results show that churches can do more in terms of teaching about biblically based parenting skills.

"God created his Word to give parents advice along the way, to help in the everyday challenges of parenting," says McConnell. "And God's also equipped the church as a group of believers who understand God's guidance in the Word of God to help each other."

LifeWay has developed a small group study called "The Parent Adventure." The study suggests practical ways parents can build their children's faith through daily living.



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