



THE CHRISTIAN PARENT'S TOOLBOX

Practical Resources for
Passing on Faith to Your Kids

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DEAR PARENT,

Check out these words from Psalm 78:4-7 (NLT)...

*We will not hide these truths from our children;
we will tell the next generation
about the glorious deeds of the Lord,
about his power and his mighty wonders.*

*For he issued his laws to Jacob;
he gave his instructions to Israel.*

*He commanded our ancestors
to teach them to their children,
so the next generation might know them—
even the children not yet born—
and they in turn will teach their own children.*

*So each generation should set its hope anew on God,
not forgetting his glorious miracles
and obeying his commands.*

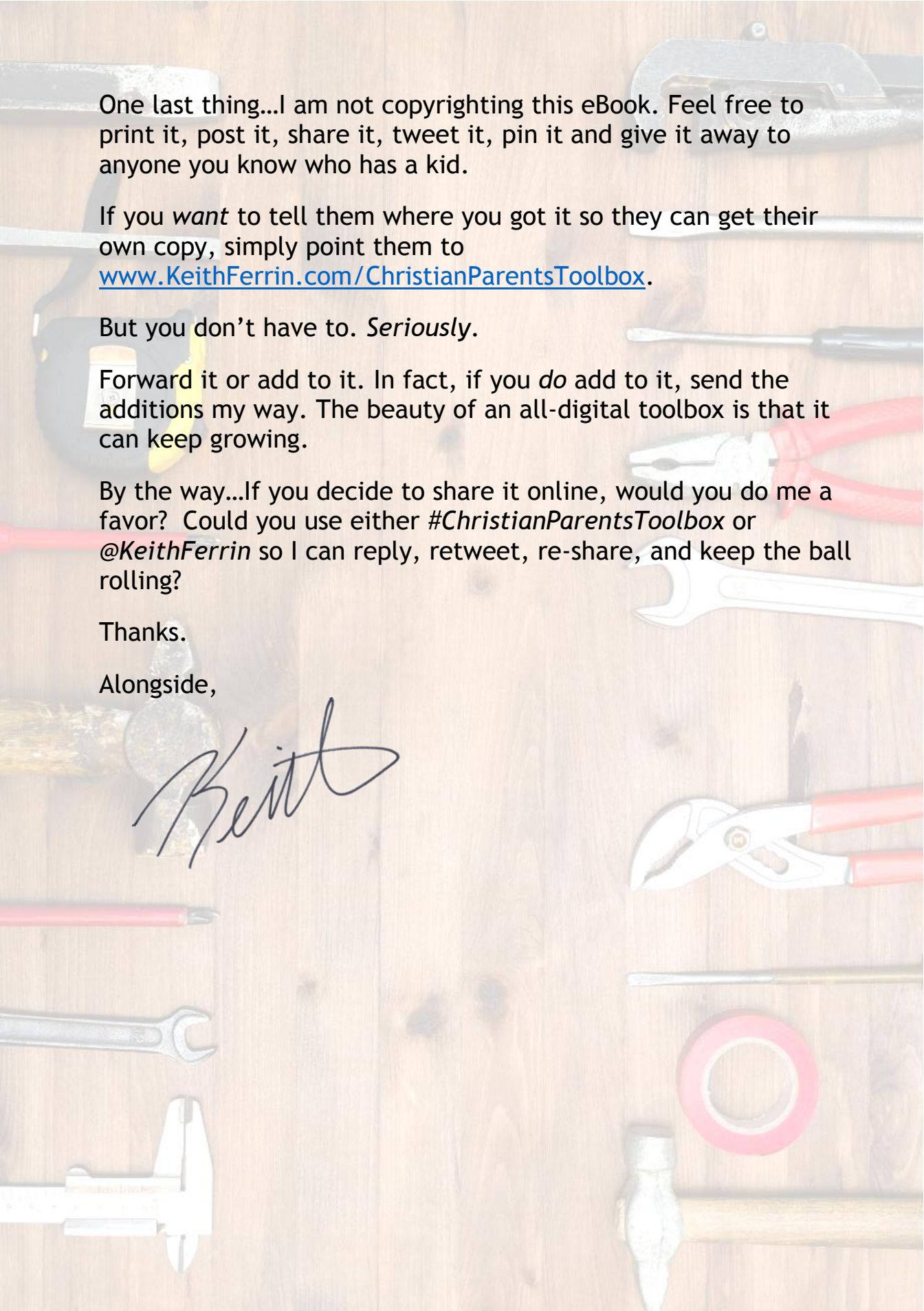
Faith passed on. Generation after generation after generation. That's what I long for when it comes to my kids (and their kids...and their kids).

If you also long for a generational, active, life-giving faith for your kids, this toolbox is for you.

Sometimes it's overwhelming to wade through all of the parenting books, children's Bibles, music, etc. That's why I asked a whole bunch of children's pastors (online and at some conferences I was speaking at) one simple question:

“If there was one resource you wish parents knew about and used with their kids, what would it be?”

You'll find their answers on the pages that follow.



One last thing...I am not copyrighting this eBook. Feel free to print it, post it, share it, tweet it, pin it and give it away to anyone you know who has a kid.

If you *want* to tell them where you got it so they can get their own copy, simply point them to www.KeithFerrin.com/ChristianParentsToolbox.

But you don't have to. *Seriously*.

Forward it or add to it. In fact, if you *do* add to it, send the additions my way. The beauty of an all-digital toolbox is that it can keep growing.

By the way...If you decide to share it online, would you do me a favor? Could you use either *#ChristianParentsToolbox* or *@KeithFerrin* so I can reply, retweet, re-share, and keep the ball rolling?

Thanks.

Alongside,

Keith

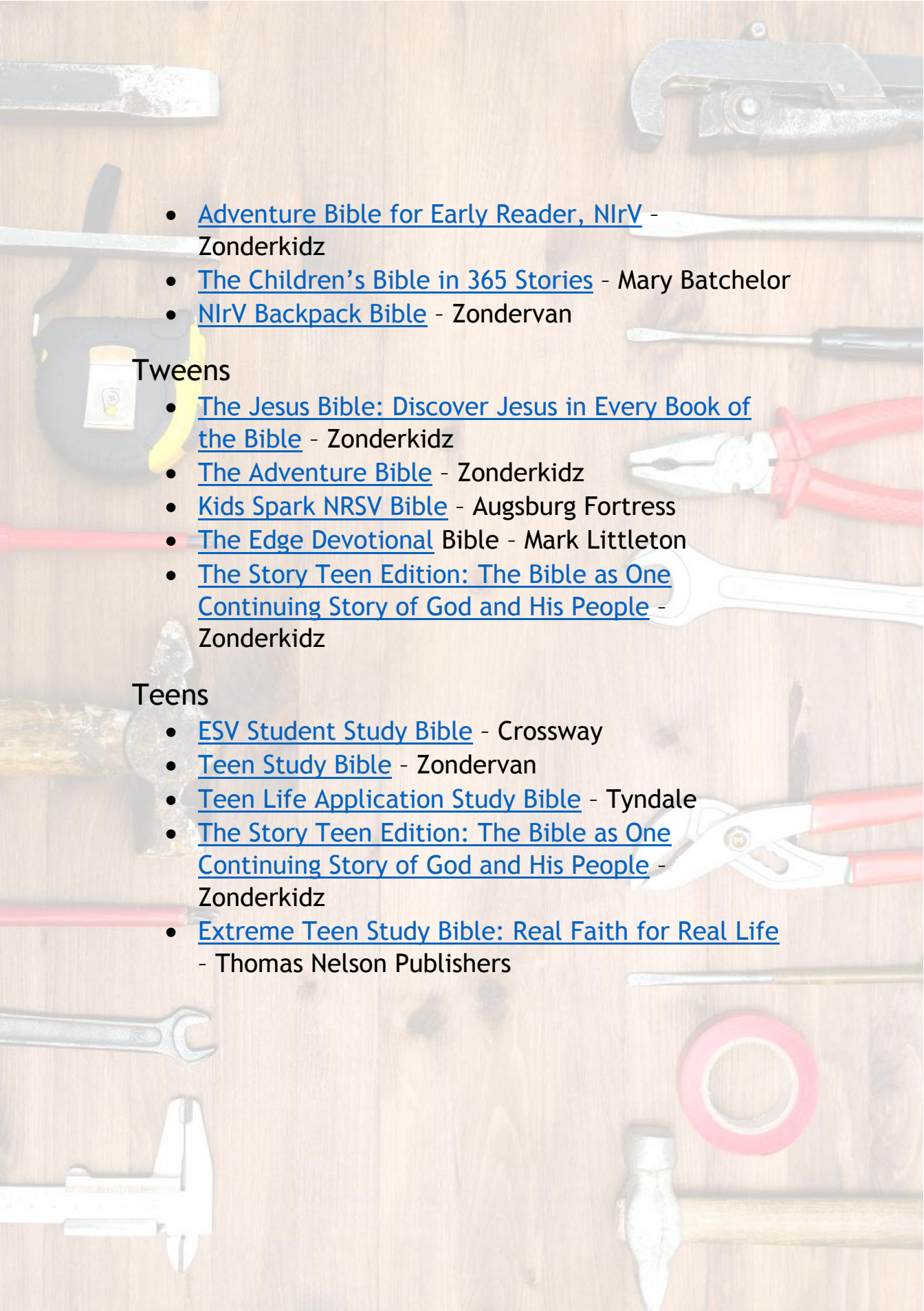
BIBLES

Preschool

- [Jesus Storybook Bible](#) - The link will take you to the version with the book and CD. You can get it without the CD, but the narrator is so good, I highly recommend it for listening in the car.
- [Treasury of Bible Stories](#) - Kelly Pulley
- [The Story for Little Ones: Discover the Bible in Pictures](#) - Max Lucado, Randy Frazee, and Zonderkidz
- [The Story for Children: A Storybook Bible](#) - Max Lucado, Randy Frazee, and Zonderkidz
- [Day by Day Begin-to-Read Bible](#) - Karyn Henley
- [Nana's Bible Stories](#) - Comes with book and CD narration
- [The Preschooler's Bible](#) - V. Gilbert Beers
- [The Big Picture Interactive Bible Storybook: Connecting Christ Throughout God's Story](#) - The Gospel Project

7-10 years old

- [The Action Bible](#) - David C. Cook Publishers
- [Day by Day Kids' Bible: The Bible for Young Readers](#) - Karyn Henley
- [The Story for Kids: Discover the Bible from Beginning to End](#) - Max Lucado, Randy Frazee, and Zonderkidz
- [The Gospel Story Bible: Discovering Jesus in the Old and New Testaments](#) - Marty Machowski

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- [Adventure Bible for Early Reader, Nlrv](#) - Zonderkidz
 - [The Children's Bible in 365 Stories](#) - Mary Batchelor
 - [Nlrv Backpack Bible](#) - Zondervan

Tweens

- [The Jesus Bible: Discover Jesus in Every Book of the Bible](#) - Zonderkidz
- [The Adventure Bible](#) - Zonderkidz
- [Kids Spark NRSV Bible](#) - Augsburg Fortress
- [The Edge Devotional Bible](#) - Mark Littleton
- [The Story Teen Edition: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and His People](#) - Zonderkidz

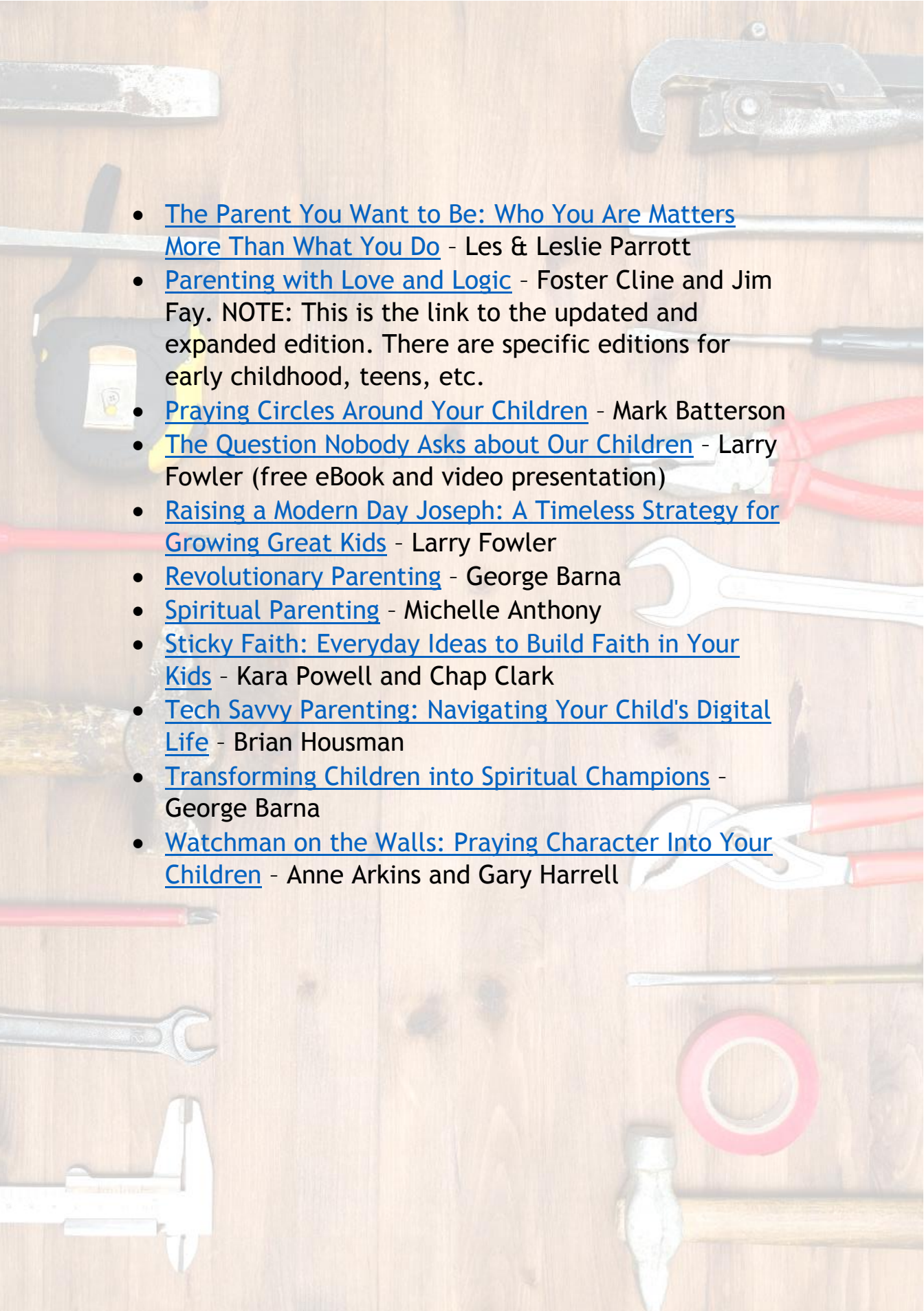
Teens

- [ESV Student Study Bible](#) - Crossway
- [Teen Study Bible](#) - Zondervan
- [Teen Life Application Study Bible](#) - Tyndale
- [The Story Teen Edition: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and His People](#) - Zonderkidz
- [Extreme Teen Study Bible: Real Faith for Real Life](#) - Thomas Nelson Publishers

BOOKS

These are in alphabetical order

- [52 Creative Family Time Experiences](#) - Timothy Smith
- [Becoming a Spiritually Healthy Family](#) - Michelle Anthony
- [Confident Parenting](#) - Jim Burns
- [Digging In: Worship and the Word at Home](#) - Robbie, Denise, Courtney, and Jadyn Grimes
- [Every Child Needs a Praying Mom](#) - Fern Nichols (from Moms In Touch International)
- [Faith Training: Raising Kids Who Love the Lord](#) - Joe White
- [Family Nights Tool Chest](#) - Jim Weidmann NOTE: This is the first book and includes the introduction into what “Family Night” is all about as well as the first set of Family Nights. If you like this - which you will - Jim has more books in this series focused on walking your kids through specific books of the Bible and topics. Good stuff!
- [FamilyTalk: A Guide to Family Devotions](#) - Ron Brooks
- [Grace Based Parenting](#) - Dr. Tim Kimmel
- [Group’s Emergency Response Handbook for Parents](#) - Group Publishing
- [Jesus Calling: 365 Devotions for Kids](#) - Sarah Young
- [Love And Respect In The Family: The Respect Parents Desire...The Love Children Need](#) - Dr. Emerson Eggerichs
- [The Legacy Path: Discover Intentional Spiritual Parenting](#) - Brian Haynes
- [New City Catechism](#) - Tim Keller

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- [The Parent You Want to Be: Who You Are Matters More Than What You Do](#) - Les & Leslie Parrott
 - [Parenting with Love and Logic](#) - Foster Cline and Jim Fay. NOTE: This is the link to the updated and expanded edition. There are specific editions for early childhood, teens, etc.
 - [Praying Circles Around Your Children](#) - Mark Batterson
 - [The Question Nobody Asks about Our Children](#) - Larry Fowler (free eBook and video presentation)
 - [Raising a Modern Day Joseph: A Timeless Strategy for Growing Great Kids](#) - Larry Fowler
 - [Revolutionary Parenting](#) - George Barna
 - [Spiritual Parenting](#) - Michelle Anthony
 - [Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Faith in Your Kids](#) - Kara Powell and Chap Clark
 - [Tech Savvy Parenting: Navigating Your Child's Digital Life](#) - Brian Housman
 - [Transforming Children into Spiritual Champions](#) - George Barna
 - [Watchman on the Walls: Praying Character Into Your Children](#) - Anne Arkins and Gary Harrell

MUSIC

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- [Amber Sky Records](#) - Downloadable kids music for church and home
- [Go Fish music](#) - Their site says “Our mission is to make great music for kids that won’t drive parents BONKERS!” (They do a good job accomplishing their mission.)
- [Hillsong Kids](#) - Kids music from Hillsong Church. Also has accompanying curriculum for families and churches.
- [Jumpstart3](#) - Their site says “Our goal is to create an exciting and innovative way for kids to worship God and to memorize God’s word and hide it in their hearts!” They have DVDs and Family Devotions as well.
- [Seeds Family Worship](#) - Word-for-word scripture songs. Every time you buy a CD, they send you TWO so you can give one away. How cool is that?
- [Yancy](#) - Her “Roots for the Journey” album is all scripture and has a free companion app filled with family devotions and activities.

APPS

These are in alphabetical order

- Parent Cue (from Orange) - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- Superbook - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- HomeFront (app and magazine) - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- Bible for Kids (from YouVersion) - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- Legacy Countdown - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- The Adventure Bible Game - [iTunes](#)
- American Bible Challenge (from Game Show Network TV) - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)
- The Word Search - [iTunes](#) or [Android](#)

OTHER TOOLS

These are in alphabetical order

- [Answers In Genesis For Kids](#) - If your kids (and you) have questions about creation, dinosaurs, the flood (to name a few) you need to check this out.
- [Child Training Bible](#) - You have to see this one to fully understand it. The tabs are added to a Bible and enables parents and children to go directly to sections of the Bible related to various topics.
- [Christian Kids Top 100 Fun Web Sites](#) - A long (really long) list of fun websites, games, coloring pages, etc. for kids. The name says it all!
- [Focus on the Family \(Parenting Section\)](#) - Podcast, blog posts, books and resources.
- [HomeFront Magazine](#) - There is a digital version (free) and a print version (paid) for those of you who like a magazine style reading experience.
- [HomeWord](#) - A blog that's way more than a blog. Daily devotionals, a monthly newsletter, and a "culture update" to help you stay in the know.
- [Josiah Cards](#) - This is a card game helping kids learn the Bible. New project just funded by Kickstarter. Looks pretty cool.
- [LeadershipForKids.tv](#) - In their own words, they are "a kid-friendly video site that teaches your children biblical leadership principles." Also has a companion app on [iTunes](#) and [Android](#)
- [Oh Amanda](#) - Blog from Amanda, a mom who "likes thinking up fun ways to impress God's Word on my kids' hearts." She has a really cool, hands-on

Christmas “Advent Experience for Little Hands” called [Truth in the Tinsel](#).

- [Pro2gé Summit Series](#) - Home discipleship from DiscipleLand
- [Splink](#) - FREE resource for parents. (Stands for “spiritual link.”) It’s a free weekly email packed with ideas and devotions for parents to do with children.
- [Sticky Faith](#) - Lots of different parent resources from the Fuller Youth Institute.
- [Thriving Family Magazine](#) - This is a marriage and parenting magazine from Focus on the Family. The print edition is available for any sized donation and the digital version is available for free on your iPhone or iPad.
- [Vibrant Faith at Home](#) - Devotions and ideas for conversations, prayer, worship and service opportunities to experience as a family. Covers early childhood through late adolescence.
- [Visionary Family Ministries](#) - They provide training, resources, books, and videos helping families to be the center of discipleship for the next generation. NOTE: I know Rob and Amy Rienow personally and they are fantastic writers, speakers, and people.
- [Walk Thru the Bible](#) - This site has a ton to offer. They are famous for their “Key Word Learning System” which uses one picture and key words to help you (and your kids) learn the main idea and people in every book of the Bible. Creative idea (and it works).

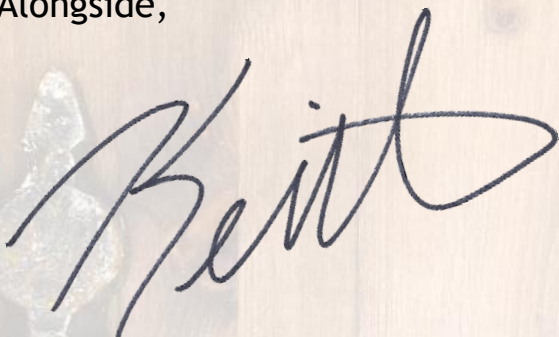
THANKS FOR READING!

I pray *The Christian Parent's Toolbox* will be a helpful resource for you as you strive to pass on a deep, authentic, passionate faith in Jesus to your kids!

May these tools help you and your kids explore the Word and its Author more deeply, naturally, and enjoyably.

And may the “generations yet to be born” know Him deeply as well.

Alongside,



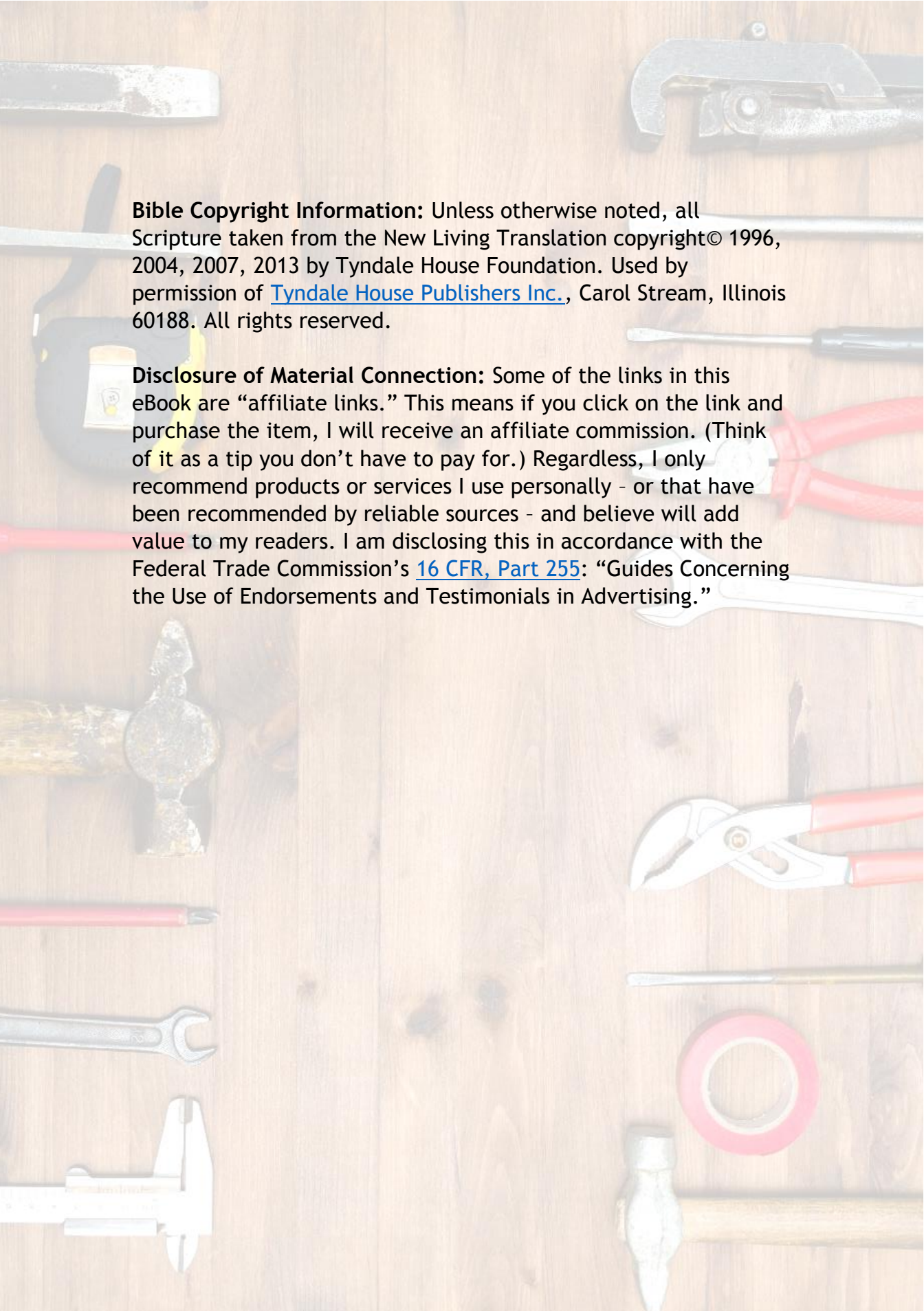
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