

# THE PARENT INSIDER

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## 40 Lessons We Sought to Teach Our Children

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We will never forget that incredible moment when our daughter Ashley was born. The doctor cleaned her up and handed her to us. Dennis recalls that he wanted to blurt out, "Thanks for the gift, but where are the instructions?"

When we started out, we had a few ideas of what it meant to be a parent and raise children. Two years later we added a son and we realized that we had better become intentional about what we wanted to do as parents and teach our children.

things we wanted to teach our children. Then it became 40, 50, and even more. (For your sake we've shortened the list back to the top 40.) Some of these lessons began during the first year for each of our six children, while others were emphasized later during childhood or adolescence. Today our children are adults and our role in their lives has changed. We have moved from being teachers to being cheerleaders and advisors, when asked.

As a result we began a list of 25

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## Youth Beat: Quick Stats

- The number of poisonings related to e-cigarettes in children ages 5 and under increased 15x over the 3-year period from 2012 to 2015. (Pediatrics)
- In a recent survey of college students, almost 8% reported having had drugs put in their drinks without their knowledge. About 4 out of 5 drink-spiking victims are women. (Psychology of Violence)

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## TOP TEN MOVIES



Movies 7/22/2016 - 7/24/2016

Source: Box Office Mojo

Rank	Box Office Movies	Gross Income
1	Star Trek Beyond	\$59.6 mil
2	The Secret Life of Pets	\$29.3 mil
3	Ghostbusters	\$21.6 mil
4	Lights Out	\$21.6 mil
5	Ice Ages: Collision Course	\$21 mil
6	Finding Dory	\$7.2 mil
7	The Legend of Tarzan	\$6.4 mil
8	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates	\$4.4 mil
9	Hillary's America: The Secret History of the Democratic Party	\$3.7 mil
10	The Infiltrator	\$3.3 mil

## Top Ten Video Games

1. Overwatch (PS4)
2. Call of Duty: Black Ops 3 (PS4)
3. Minecraft: Wii U Edition (Wii U)
4. Kirby: Planet Robobot (3DS)
5. Uncharted 4: A Thief's End (PS4)
6. Overwatch (XOne)
7. Gears of War (XOne)
8. MLB 16: The Show (PS4)
9. Grand Theft Auto V (PS4)
10. Doom (PS4)

U.S. Video Game Sales Week Ending  
June 18, 2016  
Source: VGChartz

## Celebrity Quotes

*"I'm not just some f@#\$ing martyr who's trying to make all of these lost, misfit kids feel better; I need them to help me feel normal too."*

*Breakout pop star Halsey, speaking about how writing music is a form of therapy, RollingStone.com July 28, 2016.*

## PRAYER CENTRAL:

### Things to pray about with and for your kids

- Pray for our elementary, High Schools and Universities
- Pray for all the students and teachers
- Pray for all that they can be the beacon of Light to those around them as they enter this next school year.
- Pray as we try to partner with schools

Pray is so needed in our lives. It's amazing to think that the God who created everything wants to hear from us. Take time to talk to him. Take time to do it with your family!

## Verse of the Month

"How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. "

Hebrews 9:14

Being in the Word gives us so much insight into what our relationship to God and others looks like. I'm thankful that we freely have Bibles that we can dig into. Make sure you are taking the time to pour into alone and with your family.

# Cutting Edge Music:

## Katy Perry- "Rise"



**Background:** singing in church during her childhood, she pursued a career in gospel music as a teenager. Perry signed with Red Hill Records and released her debut studio album *Katy Hudson* under her birth name in 2001, which was commercially unsuccessful. She moved to Los Angeles the following year to venture into secular music after Red Hill ceased operations. After adopting the stage name Katy Perry, she signed a recording contract with Capitol Records in April 2007. Perry rose to fame in 2008 with the

release of the singles "I Kissed a Girl" – which sparked controversy for its homosexual themes – and "Hot n Cold" from her second album, a pop rock record titled *One of the Boys*. Her third album, *Teenage Dream* (2010), ventured into disco. The album became the first by a female artist to produce five number-one songs in the U.S., Her fourth album, *Prism*, was released in 2013, and is influenced by pop and dance.

**What Parents should know about their new album:** Some of those snapshots—both of success and defeat—depict Olympians bearing witness to God. One desperate competitor looks pleadingly heavenward, her expression almost an agonized prayer in and of itself. Another appears to cross himself. Still another kisses his hand and points a single finger upward. And the video itself begins with aerial footage high above Rio's iconic Christ the Redeemer statue. So has Katy Perry returned to her Christian roots? I haven't seen any quote from her lately suggesting that she has. Still, "Rise" implies—albeit modestly—that the worldview she grew up with still influences her songwriting from time to time.

For the full write up, visit [www.pluggedin.com/musicreviews](http://www.pluggedin.com/musicreviews). Also, visit [www.pluggedin.com](http://www.pluggedin.com) for other music reviews.

# Christian Artists

## Foreverlin- Still After



Wyoming based Christian Alternative Rock band Foreverlin formed in 2012.

Since that time, they have released two recording projects including an EP and a full length entitled "Long Lost". The title track from the album gave the band their first national radio single, which charted on the Billboard charts for five weeks. Pando Records released the bands forthcoming album titled "Still After" on May 19th both physically and digitally. Still After features eleven handcrafted, heartfelt songs that pushed the band not only musically, but also spiritually. Foreverlin's influences include Copeland, Thrice, Snow Patrol and As Cities Burn, though the band is most often compared to Switchfoot.

Check them out at: [www.foreverlin.com](http://www.foreverlin.com)

# Featured Film: Newly Released in Theater



## SYNOPSIS— Suicide Squad—Opens August 5

Starring: Will Smith, Margot Robbie, Jared Leto, Jai Courtney, Cara Delevingne

Rated PG-13--Disturbing Behavior, Action Throughout, Language, Sequences of Violence and Suggestive Content

Intelligence officer Amanda Waller decides to assemble a team of dangerous, incarcerated supervillains for a top-secret mission. Figuring it has nothing to lose, the U.S. government supplies weapons to Deadshot, Harley Quinn, Captain Boomerang and other despicable inmates. Dubbed the Suicide Squad, the united criminals must defeat a mysterious and powerful entity while contending with the antics of the diabolical Joker.

For more information on the movie check out [www.pluggedin.com](http://www.pluggedin.com) under their media section

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Other Movies in Theaters

Title	Rating	Red Flags	Genre	Starring
<b>Pete's Dragon</b> Opens Aug. 12	PG	Action, peril and brief language.	Family/ Fantasy	Robert Redford, Bryce Dallas Howard, Wes Bentley, Oakes Fegley, Michael C. Hall
<b>Sausage Party</b> Opens Aug. 12	R	Strong Crude Sexual Content, Pervasive Language and Drug Use	Animated/ Comedy	Seth Rogen, Kristen Wiig, Jonah Hill, Bill Hader, Michael Cera
<b>Ben-Hur</b> Opens Aug. 19	PG-13	Sequences of violence and disturbing images.	Action	Jack Huston, Toby Kebbell, Morgan Freeman, Rodrigo Santoro, Nazanin Boniadi

Raising children requires huge chunks of time, prayer, discipline, involvement, and relationship-building. This list of values and traits has helped us focus on biblical priorities in raising children to become mature adults of faith and godly character.

1. Above all, fear God.
2. Respect authority—trust and obey your parents.
3. The importance of friendships.
4. Be in love with Christ and focus on your relationship with Him, not just on doctrine or on biblical principles.
5. Have compassion for the poor and orphans.
6. Believe God for too much rather than too little.
7. Real strength is found in serving, not in being served.
8. The power of moral purity and a clean conscience.
9. How to motivate people without manipulating them.
10. How to handle failure.
11. Keep your promises.
12. The power of the tongue for good or evil.
13. Give too much rather than too little.
14. The importance of manners and common courtesies.
15. View life through God's agenda—the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) and the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-38).
16. Give thanks to God in all things.
17. The importance of prayer.
18. The art of asking good questions, carrying on good conversation.
19. How to grow as a Christian.
20. How to handle temptation.
21. By faith, trust Christ as your Savior and Lord, and share with others how to become a Christian.
22. Seeking wisdom—skill in everyday living. Knowing how to make good decisions.
23. Gaining a sense of God's direction and destiny for your life.
24. Stay teachable and do not become cynical.
25. Obtain godly counsel.
26. The importance of flexibility and adaptability to

cope in life.

27. Truth is best passed on through relationships.
28. Leave a legacy of holiness.
29. Keep life manageable. Prioritize decisions.
30. Tame selfishness—you can't always get your way.
31. Choices are yours to make and results are yours to experience.
32. Respect the dignity of other people—all people.
33. Be faithful in the little things.
34. Character is the basis of all leadership.
35. Life isn't fair—don't compare with or be jealous of others.
36. Live by commitments, not by feelings.
37. Express grace and forgiveness.
38. A strong work ethic.
39. Surrender to the authority of Christ.
40. How to handle your finances.

We should mention that, after number one, the items on this list are not presented in any order or priority. We realize the list may appear long and daunting. But we suspect that if you began a list of your own, you'll quickly find that it's just as lengthy.

That's because parenting is a long and challenging task. Fortunately we have a God who gives us the strength to accomplish the tasks He lays before us (Philippians 4:13). We encourage you to lean on Him. No, we didn't perfectly teach each and every one of these 40 things, but it was a guide to remind us of what was important. We never stopped training, teaching, and cheering them on. As Galatians 6:9 tells us, "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

Article found at [www.familylife.com](http://www.familylife.com)

# youth Group News

## Events

**Back to School Scavenger Hunt- Aug. 7-** We are meeting at 5pm to head out for our scavenger hunt. The youth will be split into teams with an adult driver. They will be looking for various items. They will then come back for a devotional, worship and some games. We will doing some giveaways also. It's going to be a great night. We will be done at 8:30pm.

**Prayer Service- Aug. 14-** We will be spending a great deal of our time praying for our schools and those going back. Anyone is welcome to join us.

**King's Island- Aug. 20-** Meeting at church at 9am. Bring a packed lunch. We will be eating outside the park. We will leaving King's Island at 5pm. Cost is general admission price to the park, unless you have a season pass.

## News

**Fall Schedule-** Our Fall Schedule will be out the second week of August!

**Lesson-** We will be starting a 5-week series on Service on August 21 teaching everyone the importance of serving the Lord and others.

**Outings-** Starting in September we will start setting up home visits with elderly members of our church. This will be great ministry for our youth to plug into to minister to our seniors.

**AWANA-** Our weekly children's ministry is starting up again. We desperately need help. Please talk with your teen about helping us out on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30pm.

## On the Horizon

**Amazing Race- Sept. 24-** Time TBD

**See You At The Pole- Sept. 28**

**Corn Maze- Oct. 8-** Meeting at 5pm.

**Fall Retreat- Oct. 28-30-** Camp Lakeview in Indiana.

\$50 by Sept. 18. \$60 after Sept. 18 \$130 family max

## Youth Group Teaching Schedule

August 7: **Legacy and the Gospel**

August 14: **Back To School Prayer Service**

August 21: **You Got Served: Introduction to Serving**

August 28: **You Got Served: It's Expected**

# Youth Culture Music Artists Top Ten

All information for Albums was for the week of 7/15 from iTunes.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Downloaded Songs</u>
1	Katy Perry - Rise
2	Britney Spears - Make Me...
3	5 Seconds of Summer - Girls Talk Boys
4	Justin Timberlake - Can't Stop The Feeling!
5	Calvin Harris - This Is What You Came For
6	Sia - Cheap Thrills
7	Florida Georgia Line - H.O.L.Y.
8	Meghan Trainor - Me Too
9	twenty one pilots - Ride
10	Adele - Send My Love (To Your New Lover)

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S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Youth Group Scavenger Hunt @ 5pm	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Sunday School @ 9:30 am Youth Group School Prayer Night @ 6:00pm	15	16	17	18	19	20 Kings Island 9am-5pm
21 Sunday School @ 9:30 am  Youth Group @ 6:00pm	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Sunday School @ 9:30 am  Youth Group @ 6:00pm	29	30	31			

## A NOTE FROM PASTOR JOSH

Hi Parents!

School is about start! Are you ready? What better a time than now to talk with your teen about the daily opportunities that come from getting to go to school daily. Especially if they get to go to public school, they have an enormous population of others to talk to, pray for and share the Gospel. As we go into the fall that is going to be a constant theme for us as a youth group. It's not about us. It's about God and others. We are going to be looking for more ways we can serve and more ways we can share Jesus. It's going to be great! Also, we have lots of stuff planned. I would ask they you encourage your teen to sign up for the activities we do. It's a great time for encouragement and growing in their faith. I'm looking forward to the many things God is going to be doing in our students this coming school year. I'm praying for your family and as always, if you need anything, please let me know.

In Him, Pastor Josh