

Inoculate Them!

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Hello dear friends. I'm Mike Pickford, preacher for the Southside church of Christ in Smyrna, TN, and this is your Moment of Truth.

Parents generally have their children inoculated for the purpose of giving them immunity against various types of potentially fatal diseases. What responsible, caring, and loving parent would consider shirking this responsibility? Would you plea that you were just too busy to do so? Probably not. However, there is a disease even more deadly than any physical ailment. Physical ailments harm and destroy the body; spiritual disease, sin, kills and destroys the soul (Rom. 6:23). Are you inoculating your children? We inoculate our children spiritually by bringing them up in the training and admonition of the Lord, so that they will build up an immunity to wickedness and sin (Eph. 6:4). Are you praying with them? Are you reading the Bible to them? Are you giving them the proper example to follow? "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6). What responsible, caring and loving parent would consider shirking this responsibility?

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