

Why do we feel called to homeschool our children?

It's because we believe the following (as stated in the Bible). This makes our worldview very different from that of the rest of the world.

- Our all powerful Creator God created all things and knows all things. (Colossians 1:16-17, Isaiah 40:28)
- He created each of us individually, loves us individually, and has a special plan for each of us. (Ephesians 2:10, Psalm 139:13-16)
- God gave us His Word, the Bible, so that we might know Him and His plan for us. (II Timothy 3:16-17, Psalm 119:11)
- Only when we are living in accordance with His plan can we be truly satisfied, peaceful, and joyful. (Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 63:1-8)
- Since God is perfectly holy, we can only follow His plan when we, too, are holy. (II Corinthians 7:1)
- But because we are all sinful, holiness is only available to us through the sacrificial blood of Jesus, who because of His mercy and love, died to take our punishment. (Romans 8:1-4)
- When we accept His sacrificial gift through faith, repenting of our sins, He forgives and we are made right with Him. (I John 1:9)
- God's children who love Him also realize that their lives and abilities are intended to serve Him and glorify Him forever, which brings them fulfillment here on earth and hope for eternity. (John 8:32, Romans 8:28-30, I Corinthians 15:58)
- Children are a gift from God, Who gives their parents responsibility to train them as God directs. (Psalm 127:3-5, Matthew 18:5-6, Deuteronomy 4:9)

Colossians 1:16-17 - For by Him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him. Isaiah 40:28 - Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

Ephesians 2:10 - For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Psalm 139:13-16 - For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made....My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place....All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

II Timothy 3:16-17 - All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. Psalm 119:11 - I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. Psalm 63:1-8 - Oh, God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you.... Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live.... My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you....

II Corinthians 7:1 - Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

Romans 8:1-4 - Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a sin offering. And so He condemned sin in sinful man, in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fully met in us....

I John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

John 8:32 - Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. Romans 8:28-30 - And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose. For those God foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified. I Corinthians 15:58 - Therefore...stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Psalm 127:3-5 - Sons are a heritage from the Lord, children are a reward from Him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are sons born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their enemies in the gate. Matthew 18:5-6 - And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me. But if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea. Deuteronomy 4:9 - Only be careful and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.