

Welcome to the  
Brookwood Family Ministry  
Phase Conference

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GAUGE'S  
& GIZMOS

ADVENTURE WEEK 2017

Monday-Friday • June 12-16 • 9 am-Noon • Main Building

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# It's Just A Phase So Don't Miss It by Reggie Joiner & Kristen Ivy



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**THREE  
AND  
FOUR**



**THE WHY?**  
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<b>THINKS LIKE AN ARTIST</b>	THEY BLEND REALITY WITH IMAGINATION & LEARN BEST THROUGH THEIR SENSES.
<b>WANTS TO KNOW AM I SAFE?</b>	<b>THE GOAL</b> <b>CULTIVATE SELF-CONTROL</b>
<b>EMBRACE:</b>	<b>THEIR PHYSICAL NEEDS</b> SO THEY CAN KNOW GOD'S LOVE AND MEET GOD'S FAMILY.

780 WEEKS AND COUNTING . . .

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**KINDER-GARTEN AND FIRST**

**THE LOOK AT ME**  
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**THINKS LIKE A SCIENTIST** THEY WANT TO SEE HOW THINGS ARE WORKING & LEARN BEST THROUGH CONCRETE EVIDENCE.

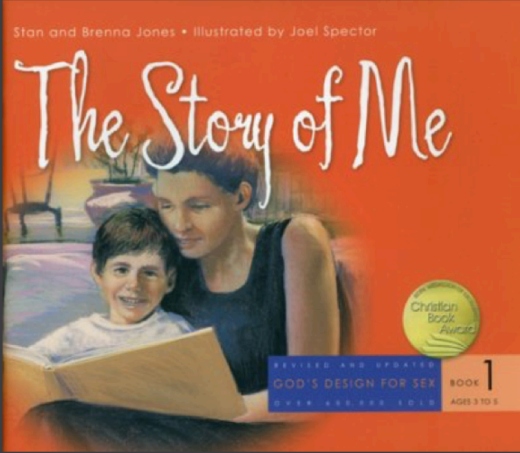
<b>WANTS TO KNOW</b>	<b>THE GOAL</b>
DO I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION?	IMPROVE ABILITIES

**ENGAGE:** THEIR INTERESTS SO THEY CAN TRUST GOD'S CHARACTER AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S FAMILY

676 WEEKS AND COUNTING . . .

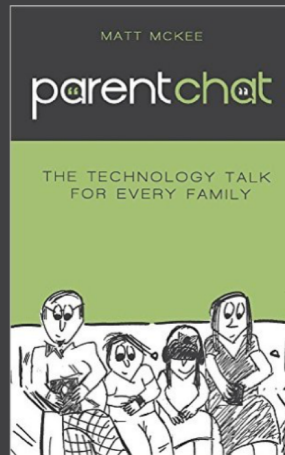
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The Story of Me by Stan and Brenna Jones



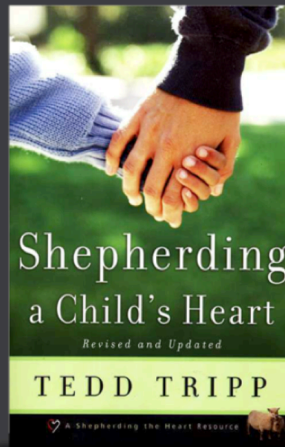
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## Parent Chat by Matt Mckee



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## Shepherding a Child's Heart by Tedd Tripp



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# The Bible App FOR KIDS



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Amy Ott  
Preschool Connections Coordinator

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## **The Concept**

780 weeks and counting

Its scary to think of your child's life  
in that way – so short-term.

936 weeks from birth to graduation

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Phase – a time frame in a kid's life when  
you can leverage distinctive  
opportunities to influence their future.

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## Embrace Phase

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Embrace their physical needs.

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By embracing those needs,  
you are building trust.

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“Am I okay?”

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As we set guidelines out of love, they  
will cultivate self-control and confidence.

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Motivating through fear and  
heavy restrictions - mistrust  
and deception can set in.

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# Engage Phase

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Engage in their interests.

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Use their phase to win,  
don't work against them.

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**Question:**

What are some things you see as parents,  
leaders, or child workers that open up a  
window for you to engage with them?

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Embrace that you don't have what  
you need based on your history alone.

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You know your child.

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# Traps

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“They are like me now.”

“Children are most like adults  
in their feelings. They are least like  
adults in their thinking.”

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“They are like I used to be.”

Things are different.

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**Question:**

What are some ways that you,  
as child leaders and parents,  
can identify that times have changed?

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“When you assume what you don’t know,  
you risk giving kids what they don’t need.”

This translates--Get into the trenches!

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**What are Preschoolers Experiencing Physically?**

They want to do it themselves.

They are half their adult height!

Walking backwards and hopping on one foot.

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## **What are Preschoolers Experiencing Emotionally?**

Ruled by their emotions.  
Impulse control—What's that?  
Empathy.

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## **What are Preschoolers Experiencing Mentally?**

70 words.  
1 Quadrillion!  
Imagination.

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**Question:**

In what ways are you seeing the children in your lives imagination grow?

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**Question:**

In what ways are you encouraging imagination?

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Making a task a game.

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**Question:**

What tasks have you turned into games in your interaction with kids?

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“Whyyyy??”

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**What are Preschoolers Experiencing Spiritually?**

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“They can relate to an  
invisible God they can imagine.”

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**Question:**

What are some great additions to Bible stories that the kids in your life have made?

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“Our perception of our Heavenly Father is often formed by our earthly father.”

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At this point, they learning more about God’s love and God’s family through what they witness in you!

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This is the time when lasting relationships can start being built with God's people— influence those who influence your child.

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What is a Small Group?

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The Importance of a Small Group Leader.

The MOST IMPORTANT resource we  
provide is a Small Group Leader.

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“If you gain influence in a kids life now, you  
stand a better chance of having influence  
with them later when it matters even more.”

– Rita Pierson

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Kids don't learn from  
people they don't like.

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## **The Power of a Consistent Adult**

Unfamiliar faces can terrify!  
Consistency brings connection,  
connection brings comfort.  
Keep Them Informed—A well informed  
Small Group Leader is a more  
equipped Small Group Leader.

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Jordan Baragar  
Elementary Production Coordinator

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## Every Kid Matters!

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“Every kid is made in the image of God to love God with all their heart, soul, and strength and to trust Jesus for a better future.”

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<sup>4</sup> Israel, listen to me. The Lord is our God. The Lord is the one and only God. <sup>5</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> The commandments I give you today must be in your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Make sure your children learn them. Talk about them when you are at home. Talk about them when you walk along the road. Speak about them when you go to bed. And speak about them when you get up. <sup>8</sup> Write them down and tie them on your hands as a reminder. Also tie them on your foreheads. <sup>9</sup> Write them on the door-frames of your houses. Also write them on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (NirV)

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Display Love  
Discover their Body  
Define Privacy

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## Sexual Integrity

“Guarding my potential for  
intimacy through appropriate  
Boundaries and mutual Respect.”

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Every Kid wants to be Loved!

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## Technological Responsibility

“Enjoy the Advantages so they will experiences boundaries and have Positive exposure.”

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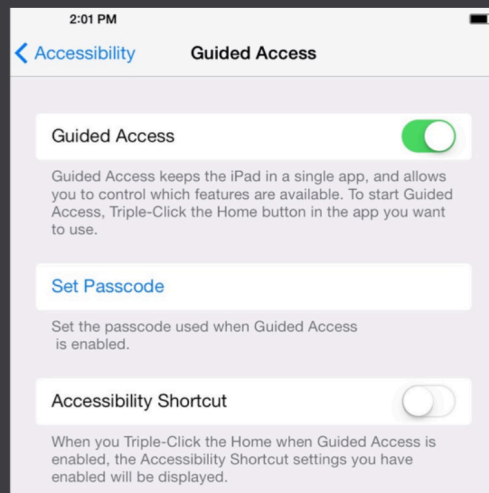
Never Google Alone  
Screen-Free Zones/Times  
Do Things Together

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“You will never know kids the way you need to know them if you don’t take time to discover their world again and again.”

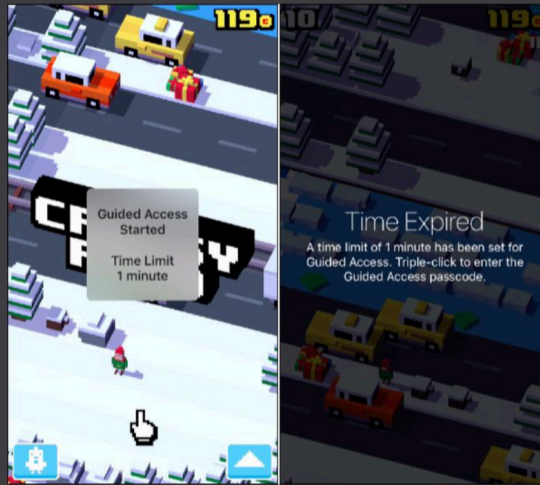
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## Guided Access & Restrictions



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### Authentic Faith

“Trusting Jesus in a way that  
Transforms how I love God,  
myself, and the rest of the world.”

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Encourage them to Pray  
Repeat simple Bible Verses  
Incite Wonder – Who is God?  
Provoke Discovery – Who am I?

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## **Basic Truths**

“Specific Memorable phases you  
want kids to know and Never Forget.”

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God Made me  
God Loves me  
Jesus wants to be my Friend Forever

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