## **Ministry Investments**

Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

The power of the gospel changes lives, but <u>no child</u> will come to know that truth on their own.

Proverbs 14:12

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end leads to death.

We do not <u>inherently</u> know what is good and want to choose it.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

God has used children and teenagers for the <u>advancement of the Kingdom</u> and will continue to use children and teenagers.

If you don't start <u>investing</u> in someone else's life, you will become completely self absorbed with your own.

1 Thess 2:19-20

<sup>19</sup> For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting before our Lord Jesus at his coming? Is it not you? <sup>20</sup> For you are our glory and joy.

The enemy has pursued my soul; he has crushed my life to the ground; he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead. Psalm 143:3

Answer my quickly, O Lord! My spirit fails! Hide not your face from me, lest I be like those who go do to the pit. Psalm 143:7

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love for in you I trust. Make me know the way I should go for to you I lift up my soul. Psalm 143:8

## Let me hear, and lead me on

Fear not, for I am with you;

Be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

Be strong and immovable, always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Nothing that you do for the **Kingdom of God** is ever useless.