

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY BROADCAST
FCC ISSUES REPORT
July, August, September 2023

Date 07/05/2023 & 07/06/2023
Title Giving Your Teen Freedom to Become an Adult I-II
Length 58 minutes
Description Well-meaning, loving and motivated parents often struggle with their teenagers – in part because our modern culture has created an extended culture far beyond logical or natural boundaries, while simultaneously worshipping our own youthfulness. Dr. Kenneth Wilgus challenges parents to think differently about how they raise their kids. He provides practical insights to help parents of teens and preteens better navigate the adolescent years with healthy interaction and boundaries, while giving their teens the opportunity to grow up.

Date 07/20/2023
Title Guiding Your Daughter into Womanhood
Length 25 minutes
Description When a young girl experiences her first period, that can be a traumatic event unless her mom has gently discussed the ongoing changes that puberty brings beforehand, in a positive and affirming manner. That was Robin Jones Gunn’s purpose for writing her book, *Before Your Tween Daughter Becomes a Woman* – to equip moms to have this important conversation with their daughters as early as 8 or 9 years old. Robin stresses that Mom should be the safest person in her daughter’s life – where the conversation about puberty and development can be ongoing. Jenny Coffey echoes this message, explaining that a girl’s self-image and self-esteem will be profoundly impacted by how parents navigate this child’s first exposure to sexuality. Robin and Jenny describe how moms can initiate the “sex talk” conversation with their daughters.

Date 08/08/2023
Title Navigating the Early Grade School Years
Length 28 minutes
Description Erin MacPherson suggests that the best thing a mom can do as her child is entering the grade school years is to pray. She credits her mother, who is also a guest—Mrs. Ellen Schuknecht—with a lot of wisdom she has gained in her mothering journey. She then talks about the importance of letting go and helping your child grow toward independence. Ellen shares a few of her 15 Factors that she’s identified in successful children over the years, including initiative, a teachable spirit, and resilience. They discuss faith, restorative justice in terms of the early grade school years, and parenting styles. The conversation ends with Erin sharing her family’s vision statement.

Date 08/15/2023
Title Justice for the Pre-born and Their Mothers
Length 27 Minutes
Description This conversation will help Christians advocate for a pro-life perspective while engaging those who believe differently. Former NFL tight end Benjamin Watson, a passionate advocate for life, wants to make abortion unthinkable in the post-Roe cultural landscape. He advocates for the pro-life cause with care and conviction, while addressing issues that may drive a woman - especially the poor and marginalized - to have an abortion. Benjamin shares insights on how a renewed commitment to holistic justice and human flourishing can make a big difference in the fight for life. The discussion emphasizes the importance of seeing all people as made in the image of God from the womb to the tomb and will challenge Christians to act with empathy and kindness.

Date 09/04/2023
Title How My Teacher Made a Difference
Length 26 minutes
Description Focus on the Family listeners pay tribute to their favorite teachers—those who impacted their lives. They talk about those educators who helped shape who they are today. Whether they were struggling in a certain subject and a teacher offered extra tutoring or they were good listeners when a student experienced a hard time at home or from other classmates. This program will encourage teachers to keep the long-term perspective in mind and we honor them as a new school begins.

Date 09/12/2023 & 09/13/2023
Title Clinging to God Through the Pain of Depression I-II
Length 58 minutes
Description From the time she was ten years old, Sarah Robinson struggled with suicidal ideation and depressive thoughts that plagued her soul. Now, Sarah shares her story of clinging to Christ and gives practical help for those struggling. She provides love and hope for those “making their bed in hell” from the perspective of a person who’s been through it herself.

Date 8/1/23
Title Shine 180: Kristine
Length 22 minutes
Description The purpose of our journey is simple, but sometimes difficult...keep moving forward becoming more like Jesus. Struggling with a family member's addiction is never an easy road. Faithfulness along the way keeps God close to allow Him to work according to His plan and purpose. This is Shine 180: Kristine’s story.