



PARENTING AS A TEAM

1. THIS WAS GOD'S IDEA.

Remember, there is no sacrament of motherhood or fatherhood. The grace to be a parent comes from your marriage. You became a family on your wedding day.

2. IT'S GOOD FOR THE KIDS.

Your marriage is the foundation of your whole family. When spouses act together, this creates stability, peace, and safety for your children.

3. IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR MARRIAGE.

Intentionally parenting together forges a strong bond between you and your spouse. Rely on each other!

4. ACT LIKE A TEAM!

You were designed to do this together. Always put your spouse before your children. (Remember, one day the kids will move out of the house, but you two will remain.) Most importantly, present a united front to the children. This helps them respect your spouse's authority and neutralizes any chance of having division between you.

5. RESPECT & VALUE EACH OTHER'S DIFFERENCES.

The complementarity of men and women is an essential part of working out God's plan for each family. Remember that your spouse's different personality, background, decision-making process, and life experiences are invaluable to the parenting of your children.

6. RELY ON GRACE.

You are a team of three, not two. God never meant for you to do this without Him. Pray daily for your spouse and children because that grace is always available!