



## **I. Three Truths to Bear (Psalm 127:3-5)**

“gift” = (nachalah) = a possession of God given as a Trust to us.

- A. Our Children are God’s first.
- B. Children are given as a steward’s gift. (Matt. 25:14–30)
  - 1. Manage God’s resources - care/protect/honor
  - 2. Maximize their potential - multiply/increase/develop
  - 3. Accountable to the Master - a day of reckoning
- C. Parenting is a Dynamic Process similar to growing a Vineyard
  - 1. Commander
  - 2. Coach
  - 3. Counselor
  - 4. Consultant

## **II. Three Hats to Wear (Prov. 22:6)**

“Train up” = (chanak) = to sharpen and to dedicate to God

“the way” = (derek) = along a journey; the manner of life.

- A. Groundskeeper
  - 1. Setting the boundaries of play
  - 2. Explaining the rules and expectations of the game
- B. Referee
  - 1. Involved in every play
  - 2. Keeping everybody in line and on schedule
  - 3. Enforcing the rules consistently
- C. Coach
  - 1. Setting the vision for the team
  - 2. Maximizing each players unique potential
  - 3. Defining the win