

DEDICATE

Milestone 1

Description

In this milestone, parents commit to a biblical way of raising children that culminates in child dedication. Parents agree to partner with the church to evangelize and disciple their children. Use the discipleship guide and recommended resources to create a home that worships Jesus together at this young age.

Preparation

- Read “Duties of Parents” by J.C. Ryle
- Take **Tying Their Shoes** class (geared towards first pregnancy)
- Use our Discipleship Guides for your child’s age group: Infant and Toddler, P2
- See the Parenting Ministry website for additional resources

Ideas for Celebration

- Child dedication

This is a public declaration that you will raise your children in a Christ-centered home and the church agrees to encourage you and hold you accountable as you parent. For this reason, child dedication is for missional partners.

Child dedications take place four times a year: October, January, Mother’s Day and Father’s Day. Families need to attend a luncheon with an elder to discuss “Duties of Parents” before their children can be dedicated.

- Party at home with friends, family, Life Group

Connection to Path of Discipleship

- Reproduce disciplers

