

“How Should The Church Respond To Culture?”

Four Possible Reactions:

- 1) _____ from it.
- 2) _____ it.
- 3) _____ with it.
- 4) Engage and _____ it.

How To Respond To A Culture Hostile To The Gospel

1. Be _____, not _____.

Sex was _____ by _____.

“As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it.” – Genesis 8:17

BEFORE your kids are dealing with sexual issues, teach them:

- God created _____ and _____.

“But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” – Mark 10:6-9

- God designed _____ to be a special, lifelong relationship.

BEFORE your kids are dealing with identity issues, teach them:

- God _____ them.

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...” - Jeremiah 1:5

- They are God’s _____.

“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.” - Ephesians 2:10

- God paid a _____ for them.

“You are not your own, you’ve been bought with a price.” - 1 Corinthians 6:19

2. Equip the _____.

- Each child is _____.
- Don’t _____!
- Don’t only give _____ of the story!
- Don’t focus on the _____!

3. Be the _____!

“Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won’t be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.” – Ephesians 4:14-15

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.” – 2 Chronicles 7:14