

MENTOR PREPARATION GUIDE - PARENTING

Before your meeting, you will need to:

- Pick your book, and have copies to distribute at the meeting
- Print copies of homework assignments and all additional resources for this topic
- Prepare your meeting place -comfortable setting, simple snack
- Plan your meeting agenda – see meeting guide for more detailed help
- Prepare Peer Challenge assignment pairings for your group
- What is your STORY?
 - All moms want to be the best mom they can be, and to have an older woman who is further down the road is a huge gift to their lives. You will be able to encourage them and help them in ways their peers cannot because you have the wisdom gained from having been there.
 - Don't feel you need to have been the perfect mom, or that all your children need to have made wise choices and are walking with the Lord. You will find that some of the key insights and wisdom and you will be able to give them are things you learned, not because you did it right, but because you didn't do so right. Your willingness to be transparent and honest will be something God will use in a mighty way!
 - You'll want to think through some nuggets of wisdom to share with your mentees. What were some things you did with your children to teach them God's Word and lead them to become followers of Christ? What were some traditions that became important parts of your family life through the years? What were some ways you and your husband disciplined and trained your children? The women are eager to hear what you've learned in this area!
- Schedule one-on-ones (remember to meet at least once every 3 months with each mentee)
- Incorporate the Personal Ministry Plan in the meeting
- Pray for the meeting and each mentee