

Parenting with Promise # 7

Hosea 2¹⁴⁻²³ Alluring our children

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Introduction

What are you thinking?

What has the Lord been teaching me?

Being Availability

Wisdom Appreciation

Power Alluring

The alluring power of sin

The strong competition

The seduction zone

The alluring power of God

The sovereign power of God

The irresistible grace of God

The effectual call from God

The freed will of man

The alluring power of parents

Should we command our children?

Should we persuade our children?

Should we entice our children?

Conclusion

Parenting with promise

Discussion

What are some inappropriate ways to allure our children?

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How can we balance commanding and alluring our children?



Questions answered

- What are some Biblical examples of the alluring power of sin?
- What is the target that allurements aim for?
- What word does God choose to use in Hosea to describe His drawing of His people back to Himself?
What is significant about this word, given the context of Hosea?
- Do you think God is just borrowing this word from the world, or is He somehow the originator of it?
- Why might we associate the attitude of allurement with the attribute of power?
- What is *irresistible grace*?
- What is *effectual calling*?
- How can each of the above terms be compatible with the concept of alluring?
- Can we say that God makes the gospel attractive to those whom He is calling to Himself? In what ways?
- Should we command our children?
When?
- Should we allure or entice our children?
When? What does this mean?
- Are commanding and alluring compatible?
If so, how can they work together?
- What promise from God particularly encourages us in this matter?



Things to pray about

- Be amazed at how God persuaded and enabled you to embrace Him as Your Lord & Saviour.
- How to reflect the alluring character of God in relation to our children and His law and especially His gospel.