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Godly Character Traits

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We have just completed our Wrestling Coop with Tech High School. Tyler Hugg made it to State. It was a very good year. Three coaches and their wives, plus four wrestling families came to our Valentine Banquet. Coach Ben Peterson, Olympic gold and silver medalist, spoke. Three wrestlers from Granite City Baptist were on varsity. Several of the wrestlers have attended Bible Camp at Camp Joy where we work in a wrestling Clinic with Coach Peterson. We have shown two films this year in the coach van: "Do You Believe" and "Woodlawn." One wrestling family accepted the Lord and plans to get baptized Easter Sunday. They plan to put their three boys in GCBA.

REVERENCE FOR GOD

We need to reverence God because He is all knowing. This attribute of God is called omniscience. Creatorship is the ground for the omniscience of God. Reverence is an attitude of deep respect, love, and awe toward those in authority. Children lack reverence for those in authority, employees lack reverence for employers, citizens lack reverence for America, Christians lack reverence for God, and mothers and doctors lack reverence for LIFE. The attributes of God are perfections of His Divine nature that are exercised in creation, providence, and redemption. The attributes of omniscience deals with God knowing Himself and all things whether they be past, present, or future. I John 3:20, "For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things." Because of God's omniscience, we are never out of the mind of God. Psalm 40:5, "Many, O LORD my God, are thy

Our Junior Learning Center consists of nine special individuals. God has given us students ranging from grades second to fifth. Together, we enjoy work time, physical breaks, and time of fellowship around lunch. It is our goal to help students develop Christ-like character.

Kindness is an important trait. Accelerated Christian Education describes being kind as, "Showing a genuine, harmonious attitude toward others." Ephesians 4:32, "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Kindness is a part of the meaning of love, I Corinthians 13:4, "Charity ...is kind;" In the Bible, Ruth shows compassion towards Naomi when she gleaned the fields to provide for the widow. (Ruth 2:3) King David was generous toward crippled Mephibosheth by allowing him to eat at the king's table. (II Samuel 9:10)

In the classroom, students can demonstrate kindness by following classroom procedures, speaking kind words, encouraging others, and respecting authority.

Another important character trait is being diligent. ACE defines diligent as, "Seeing a chore (work) as a special assignment from the Lord and doing everything to complete it." Colossians 3:23, "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;" Noah persevered in the building of the ark over many years. (Genesis 6:14-22) People in Nehemiah's day had a mind to work. (Nehemiah 4:6)

Students have opportunity to work hard academically as well as physically. Each student has

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wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.” We need to reverence God because of His omniscience. Isaiah 45:9, “Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherd of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?” Potsherd is a fragment of an earthen vessel. The verse explains that God’s creations are fragile and worthless.

We need to reverence God because He made us and God put our soul together. Psalm 139:13, “For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.” God put the body together in the womb. Job 10:11, “Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.” From conception, the unborn are under the control and guardianship of God. The Hebrew word for “cover” refers to weaving for protection in the womb.

God put the body together miraculously in the womb. Praise the Lord we are fearfully and wonderfully made! Psalm 139:14, “I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.” Realizing the mighty hand of God in creation and reproduction should cause us to fear God. Man knows that God put the body together. David was not a doubter or agnostic and no man is born agnostic. Psalm 14:1, “The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.”

One of the most important things we can teach our children is to respect or reverence God, others and self. Keep in mind that reverence is not the same as obedience. Children might obey because they are afraid. If they reverence you, they will obey because they know you want what is best for them. Respect and relationships are keys to getting children to obey. Steve McChesney said that the best way to teach respect is to show respect. Reverence is an attitude. Being respectful helps children succeed in life. If children don’t have reverence for peers, authority, or themselves, it’s almost impossible for them to succeed. Until children show reverence at home, it’s unlikely they will show it anywhere else. We need to show reverence to our children by being honest. If we do something wrong, we need to admit it and apologize. We need to be POSITIVE and not embarrass, insult, or make fun of our children, instead

compliment them. We show reverence by trusting, being polite, reliable, and being a good testimony. We need to be fair and listen to our children’s side of the story before reaching a conclusion.

We need to reverence God because He knows all about us. Psalm 139:15, “My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.” God knows all about us inside of the womb. God put the bones, joints, nerves, veins and arteries all together. Ecclesiastes 11:5, “As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.” God made us in secret. The embryo is formed in the womb. The Lord makes the body in the womb like an artist makes works of art in His studio and He will not allow anyone to see it until it is finished.

God can see the child in the womb. My “substance” means embryo. Psalm 139:16, “Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.” Before conception God had a record of all our members. God fashioned us in the womb according to His divine plan. My life was planned out by God, before conception. How many preachers, evangelists, missionaries, doctors, lawyers, and teachers have been killed by abortion? We need to reverence God because God is thinking about us. Psalm 139:17, “How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!” God’s thoughts toward us are more than the sands of the sea. Psalm 139:18, “If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.” We need to think about the Lord.

We need to reverence God, others, and self. We must realize that the way we treat others is very serious because we are dealing with God’s property. We need to reverence God by doing our best to carry out the plan He has for us.

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academic work designed especially for his level of learning. Completing daily assignments demonstrates diligence. Physical efforts are exercised during Physical Education where we work on coordination skills as well as endurance.

The final character trait I would like to share is being honest. ACE depicts being honest as, “Dealing righteously, showing what is right and proper to the

Lord and others.” II Corinthians 8:21, “Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.” Joseph was trustworthy to the business his master had committed to him and refused the temptation of his master’s wife. (Genesis 39:8-9) Daniel was truthful to give God credit in interpreting Neubchadnezzar’s dream. (Daniel 2:28)

Carefully scoring one’s pace work demonstrates honesty even if it requires extra work correcting mistakes. Accurate reporting of events or needs demonstrates a trustworthy character.

Are these character traits practiced in your home? Encourage and discuss ways to demonstrate kindness, diligence and honesty. The Lord is honored when

godly character is enhanced! Peter wrote in I Peter 2:12, “Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.”

COMING EVENTS	
Basketball Outreach Saturdays 2pm-6pm	Mar. 5- May 14
Third Quarter Ends	Mar. 18
Easter Break	Mar. 21-25
Sterling Park Commons Program	Mar. 29



MEN’S BASKETBALL RECRUITING

- **9th Grade – Adult**
- **10-week series**
- **Beginning 1st Saturday of March**
- **Registration fee: \$40 (includes T-shirt)**
- **4 games: 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm**
- **Pizza & Awards final week**

~~ Give us a call if you are interested ~~

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The Secret of Individualization

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“How do children learn?”

The answer to that question can unlock the door to greater achievement for your child. Accelerated Christian Education has done considerable research on the topic of how children learn, and the results, along with other educational surveys, indicate that children:

- Have varying IQs and learn at different rates.

- Must learn specific developmental skills.

- Process information differently at different developmental levels.

- Learn best through mastery with repetition, then review.

- Vary in their abilities to learn through visual, auditory, and kinesthetic/tactile stimuli.

Accelerated Christian Education has developed a distinctive, individualized, high-tech educational package that addresses these issues. Let’s take a closer look at these factors that so critically impact your child’s learning.

Since children have different IQs and learn at different rates, testing to determine each child’s knowledge and performance level is critical. Accelerated Christian Education provides not only testing but also diagnosis and prescription for your child.

Testing also reveals whether a child has attained certain developmental skills. For instance, skills that are prerequisite to the learning-to-read process include sequencing, recognition of colors and shapes, relationships, coordination, and the ability to process some information on a subconscious level while processing other information on a conscious level. These skills are mastered in the Kindergarten with Ace and Christi program.

Children process information differently in varying stages of physical development. Nearly all children from preschool to puberty are able to

answer the “who, what, when, and where” questions. At puberty brain chemistry changes, and most children are able to answer “how and why” questions. Accelerated Christian Education core curriculum below seventh level focuses on the “who, what, when, and where” questions, but “how and why” questions are concentrated at and above seventh level. These critical skills of deductive reasoning and logical thinking are necessary for your child’s college preparation as well as for his preparation for life.

The A.C.E. School of Tomorrow curriculum is mastery-based. Most children need to have a concept repeated several times for mastery. Therefore, vocabulary words are introduced and repeated several times and are practiced and tested. Academic concepts are presented in sequence and mastered with repetition, then review follows in a spiral approach. Progress is controlled, and your child moves on only after he has demonstrated understanding and mastery of the material.

Some children like to learn best visually. Some like to learn best auditorily. Others like to learn best by hands-on experience. Although children tend to want to learn through one medium, they should be encouraged to gain understanding of academic material in different ways. Strive to have balance. You will notice that your child’s PACEs incorporate color, pictures, diagrams, and other enhancements to stimulate learning. He also has the opportunity for individual attention by reading aloud or discussing concepts with his supervisor or you, his parent or guardian, to assure mastery. The Readmaster Plus suite is one tool that is especially helpful in making the learning experience individualized to each student.

Children learn on an individual basis, and Accelerated Christian Education meets your child’s specific educational needs. *ACE*