

## Man at the Cross Conference

### Defining “successful parenting”

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- Two godly institutions
- The God Order
- Men’s position, role and privileges.
  
- **Parenting context**  
The FOO factor (Family Of Origin)
  - Genealogy - why are genealogies recorded in the Bible? What is the significance of genealogy?
  - Family Tree and what it represent
  - Intergenerational issues.
  - What we bring into our parenting.
  
- **Parenting personality**
  - Avoider parent
  - Pleaser parent
  - Vacillator parent
  - Controller parent
  - Victim parent
  
- **Parenting journey**
  - Conception – Pregnancy – Baby – Toddler – Preschooler – Teen – Young Adult – Parent
  
- **Children personality types:**
  - Avoider child
  - Pleaser child
  - Vacillator child
  - Victim child
  - Controller child
- Special children:
  - Introverted child
  - Extroverted child
  - Sensitive child
  - Free Spirited child
  - Determined child
  - Premature child

### Biblical examples of parenting – “successful” and “not so successful”

- Moses
- Eli
- Samuel
- Saul

- David
  - Solomon
  - Job
  - Joseph
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- God is not interested in your Achievements, but what you are Becoming
  - Your life and your child's life is not yours. It is God's Project
  - Parenting is about Being not Doing.

**What is "successful" parenting?**

1. It is a relationship
2. It is a partnership
3. It is a discipleship
4. It is a stewardship

**8 gifts a successful parent gives to his children**

1. Gift of Insight
2. Gift of listening
3. Gift of comfort
4. The gift of power
5. The gift of frustration
6. The gift of confession
7. The gift of laughter
8. The gift of God. The perfect Father