

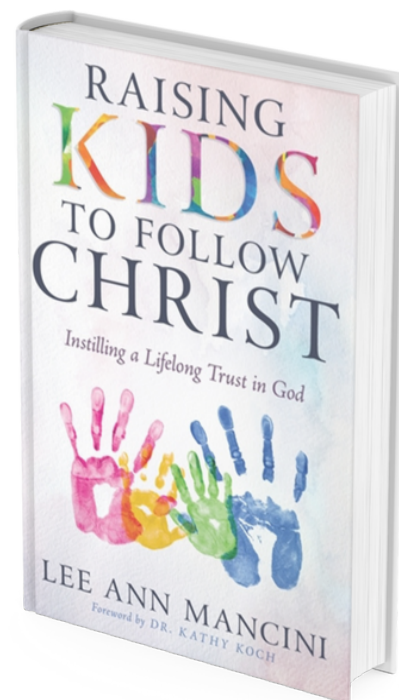
The Key to Raising Children Who Are Bold in Their Witness and Committed to Their Faith

“Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation.” (Joel 1:3)

As Christian values come under attack more and more in our modern world, many parents wonder how they can build the strong spiritual foundation their children will need to understand what is truly important in life.

Award-winning podcaster of *Raising Christian Kids*, Lee Ann Mancini, inspires parents, grandparents, and other caregivers to teach their children using loving guidance and discipline to become effective disciples who follow Christ and live according to His Word.

In her new book ***Raising Kids to Follow Christ: Instilling a Lifelong Trust in God*** (Whitaker House, Feb. 2024), Lee Ann helps readers raise children who are bold in their witness and committed to their faith rather than secular culture.



In *Raising Kids to Follow Christ*, Lee Ann offers tried-and-true methods for raising children who bear that peaceful fruit, including:

- Personal experiences and teachings based on God’s Word.
- Strategies and techniques for transforming disciplining into discipling.
- Ways to help children control their emotions and actions in various situations.
- Suggestions from some of today’s brightest Christian minds in children’s spirituality.
- Real-life examples of best parenting practices to organically capture a child’s heart.
- Easy-to-understand apologetics for children and adults.
- Fun ways to connect your child’s heart to Christ.

As Lee Ann says, “As a parent, grandparent, extended family member, ministry leader, or teacher, we are called to teach, guide, and instruct the next generation. We are our children’s first and most impactful teachers, the principal educators who can help anchor their lives in Jesus now and for eternity.”

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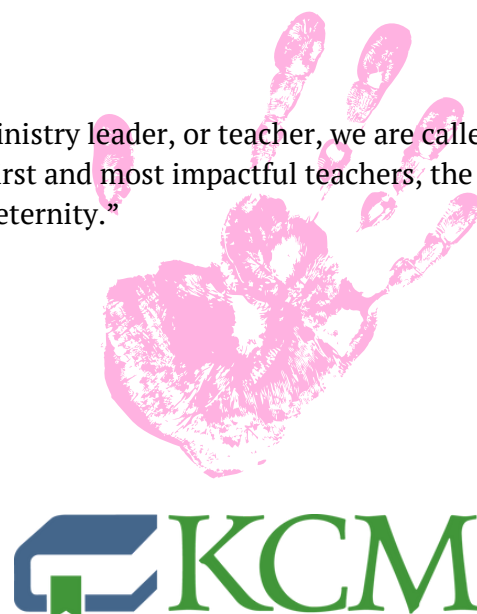
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Lee Ann Mancini hosts the award-winning podcast *Raising Christian Kids*, available on all major platforms and streaming on KHCBC Radio's Uplifted station. She shares expert godly advice, biblically-based wisdom, and insightful tools for parenting children to bring them closer to Jesus.

Lee Ann is also an award-winning Christian children's author and executive producer of the animated series *Sea Kids*, which can be viewed on Answers.TV, Pure Flix, Right Now Media, and SeaKidsTV. This series is based on her children's books about cute, colorful sea creatures who learn about God's morals and values and how to live those daily.



An adjunct professor at South Florida Bible College and Theological Seminary, as well as a sought-after speaker on topics such as Christian growth, biblical understanding, and children's spirituality, she received her B. A. in Religious Studies from Regent University, master's degrees in Christian & Classical Studies and Biblical & Theological Studies from Knox Theological Seminary, and a master's in Christian Studies from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

Lee Ann and her husband Guy have two adult children and make their home in South Florida.



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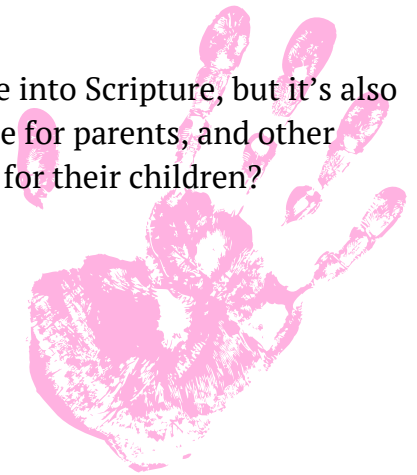


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Suggested Interview Questions for Lee Ann Mancini

- Why is your new book, *Raising Kids to Follow Christ*, an urgent read for Christian parents raising children today?
- What is your advice to parents with children in the public school system who are struggling with what their kids are being taught or exposed to during the day?
- In the book, you mention a thought that scared you to your core - an image that Jonathan Edwards, the North American revivalist preacher from the 1700s, used to frighten parents. It's a very vivid example - can you talk about that and your reaction to it?
- You write about "preparing the soil and planting the seeds." What are you referring to?
- How early can we start teaching children biblical principles and at what age does a worldview start to form?
- Why is a strong spiritual foundation so important to fight against the anti-Christian culture?
- Tell us about the specific Bible characters whose parents adhered to the commandments in Deuteronomy 6:4-9.
- *Raising Kids to Follow Christ* is thoughtful and takes a deep dive into Scripture, but it's also filled with practical advice. What is your biggest piece of advice for parents, and other caregivers, as they start to help build this spiritual foundation for their children?



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Statistics

In 2023, George Barna released the findings of a study done on spirituality and biblical worldviews in his book, *Raising Spiritual Champions*, where he presented the alarming statistics below. Lee Ann Mancini's ***Raising Kids to Follow Christ*** is the answer to the problems laid out by Barna.

Among children thirteen to fourteen years old:

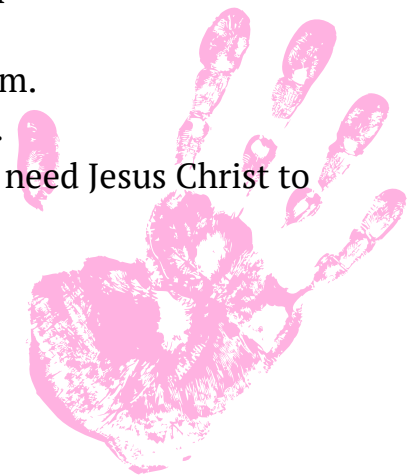
- 70 percent either reject the existence of Satan or don't know if he exists.
- 90 percent believe there are no absolute moral truths.
- 84 percent do not believe we are born into sin and need salvation.
- Less than 1 percent of early teens have a biblical worldview.
- The prevailing worldview among 99 percent of young teens is syncretism, a combination of different beliefs.

As for their parents:

- 68 percent think of themselves as Christian, but only 2 percent have a true biblical worldview.
- Less than half of all born-again adults (45 percent) read or study the Bible weekly.
- Only 25 percent of parents believe absolute moral truths exist.

The statistics are not much better when it comes to children's pastors:

- 56 percent believe there is no absolute moral truth.
- 53 percent accept reincarnation as a real possibility for them.
- 50 percent believe that Jesus sinned while He was on earth.
- 43 percent do not believe that people are born into sin and need Jesus Christ to overcome the effects of sin.



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What People are Saying about *Raising Kids to Follow Christ* and Lee Ann Mancini

“Get ready for relevant Scriptures, essential statistics, vibrant illustrations, scripted prayers, life-giving cautions, explicit instruction, meaningful quotes, age-appropriate definitions, descriptions to share with your children, and more.”

-Dr. Kathy Koch, PhD, Founder of Celebrate Kids, author, speaker

"*Raising Kids to Follow Christ* is a much-needed resource for the times in which we find ourselves. Lee Ann Mancini is a compelling voice that God has raised up to inspire and equip."

-Alex McFarland, author, educator, religion correspondent

“*Raising Kids to Follow Christ* is a must-read for parents wanting to build a strong spiritual foundation in their children. Lee Ann Mancini’s expertly crafted guide offers practical strategies and biblical insights, making it an invaluable resource to nurture faith within the family.”

-Ryan Frank — CEO and publisher, KidzMatter

“This remarkable book holds the keys to establishing a spiritual bedrock in your child’s life. It blends practical wisdom with biblical principles and provides a comprehensive roadmap, empowering you to foster a lifelong connection to faith within your child. It’s a great read for every Christian parent.”

-Dr. Scott Turansky — Cofounder, National Center for Biblical Parenting

“What could be more important in parenting than raising children who know Christ? Our kids must decide their eternal destiny for themselves, but we can certainly create a home environment where it’s hard to deny the truth and love of God. The world says academic excellence, good looks, or athletic prowess will set up our kids for success. This book reminds us of what is truly important in life: to obey the Lord and follow Him.”

-Arlene Pellicane — Host, Happy Home Podcast; author, *Parents Rising*

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