

Vision Quest 2018 “Shaping The Image”

How does a parent, mentor or coach shape the image of a generation? Is shaping important? Is shaping an innate ability or learned behavior?

NKJ Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.

NLT Proverbs 22:6 Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.

Amp Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go [**and in keeping with his individual gift or bent**], and when he is old he will not depart from it.

To shape means to form, direct or make fit. To shape means to direct, make fit and determine the character of something or someone.

I

To **SHAPE** means to help someone discover their:

Spiritual gifts, Heartbeat, Abilities, Personality, Effectiveness

II

Shaping begins with conversation...

Reporter talk – Intellectual talk – Emotional talk loving, genuine truthful talk -

The final level of communication requires an honest, transparent environment.

The final level of communication requires a patient love and safe environment.

III

The goal of communication is fellowship.

➤ Fellowship is with God in Christ.

NKJ 1 John 1:3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may **have fellowship with us**; and truly our **fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ**.

➤ Fellowship is with one another.

NKJ Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and **fellowship**, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

➤ Fellowship is in the word

NKJ Romans 15:4 For whatever things were **written before were written for our learning**, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

➤ Fellowship is in the Spirit

NKJ Philippians 2:1 Therefore if *there is* any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, **if any fellowship of the Spirit**, if any affection and mercy,

➤ Fellowship is in the gospel

NKJ Philippians 1:5 for your **fellowship in the gospel** from the first day until now,

NLT Philippians 1:5 for you have been my **partners in spreading the Good News about Christ** from the time you first heard it until now.

➤ *The goal of fellowship is the discovery of God, truth, conviction and transformation.*