



Hillcrest BAPTIST CHURCH

Loving and serving *God*. Loving and serving *others*.

Dear Parent:

At Hillcrest we believe that God designed the family as the primary place for discipleship. The Faith Path initiative exists to partner with you as you guide your child's spiritual journey one step at a time. Age appropriate kits have been created to help you leverage the best faith formation strategy for your child's stage of development. In this *Preparing for Adolescence* kit you will find practical ideas and suggested resources to help you guide your child through upcoming changes. I urge you to start today by taking the following simple steps.

STEP ONE: LEARN

We have provided a short video that explains this particular Faith Path step. You will hear from both experts and ordinary families as they describe the importance of preparing your child for adolescence and share practical suggestions from their experiences. You will also find a guide that offers practical tips and what we consider the best resources on the topic. If you would like additional coaching or information on the next *Faith Path Foundations* workshop, please visit hillcrestbc.com/faithpath.

STEP TWO: START

To help make the process easier, this kit includes a two-part audio titled *The Talk*. We've also provided a *Frequently Asked Questions* summary from parents of early adolescents.

If your child is registered with Hillcrest Baptist Church, you will receive an email at select birthdays with information on how to get the free kit appropriate for his or her age. To confirm that we have birthday information on each child, please go to hillcrestbc.com/faithpath and update your family profile.

I hope you find this kit helpful in the process of forming the faith of your child at home. Feel free to visit hillcrestbc.com/faithpath to learn more about Faith Path or to determine if your child/children are ready for other Faith Path steps.

Warm regards,

Mike Simmons
Senior Pastor