

**THE ART OF PARENTING
THE LAUNCH PAD
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PSALMS 127
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Happy Mothers Day: "God couldn't be everywhere at once, so he made moms."

Psalms 127 is all about mothers and fathers and building a home in the midst of the problems and pandemonium of life. This morning we will focus on several key words to get at the truth of these wise words from Solomon.

AN OVERVIEW OF PSALM 127

"UNLESS THE LORD"

Psalm 127:1a: "Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain."

The FOUNDATION

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- Establish A Stable Home Environment Infused With Christian Values
Joshua 24:14-15
- Imprint During The Early Years
Deuteronomy 6:1-4
- Set Appropriate Boundaries
Deuteronomy 10:12-13
- Practice The Principle Of "With"
Mark 3:14
- Meet Their Primary Intimacy Needs (and avoid the opposites)

Acceptance—(Rejection)
Affection—(Abuse)
Appreciation—(Criticism)
Approval—(Condemnation)
Attention—(Neglect)
Comfort—(Hurt)
Encouragement—(Disappointment)
Respect—(Ridicule)
Security—(Instability)
Support—(Undermine)

The PROTECTION

*Psalm 127:1b: "Unless the LORD watches over the city,
the watchmen stand guard in vain."*

The DECOMPRESSION

*Psalm 127:2: "In vain you rise early
and stay up late,
toiling for food to eat—
for he grants sleep to those he loves."*

The REWARDS

*Psalm 127:3 and 5: "Sons are a heritage from the LORD,
children a reward from him....
Blessed is the man
whose quiver is full of them."*

The LAUNCH

*Psalm 127:4-5: "Like arrows in the hands of a warrior
are sons born in one's youth.
They will not be put to shame
when they contend with their enemies in the gate."*