

THINGS KIDS WISH THEIR PARENTS KNEW

- THEY'RE WATCHING YOU- NO HYPOCRISY
- TELL THEM THE TRUTH- HARSH REALITY IS BETTER THAN THE DISCOVERED LIE- DON'T TRY TO PROTECT THEM
- NEED THEM- -INSIST THEY MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO FAMILY LIFE
- HAVE A FAITH LIFE & KEEP IT GROWING
- DON'T COMPARE THEM
- DEAL WITH YOUR ADDICTIONS- GET HELP
- DISCIPLINE THEM- THEY WANT BOUNDARIES & CONSEQUENCES
- IT'D NEVER TOO LATE TO CORRECT PREVIOUS MISTAKES IN PARENTING
- DEAL WITH PROBLEMS EARLY- THEY DON'T GO AWAY
- MODEL- HOW YOU TREAT YOUR PARENTS IS HOW THEY WILL TREAT YOU
- WORK ON YOUR PREJUDICES- THEY WILL LIVE ON IN YOUR KIDS
- EAT TOGETHER- IT HUMANIZES EVERYONE
- BE CONSISTENT- IT'S EVERYDAY
- DON'T LET GUILT CRIPPLE YOU
- FORGIVE- KIDS DON'T WANT TO SEE THEIR PARENTS HOLD GRUDGES
- HAVE PRIORITIES- KNOW WHICH BATTLES TO FIGHT
- MAKE TIME FOR THEM QUANTITY & QUALITY
- LET THEM SEE YOU FAIL & HOW YOU DEAL WITH IT
- HAVE FUN PERSONALLY & FAMILY
- DEAL WITH YOUR FEARS
- HAVE A GROWING EDGE- HAVE AT LEAST ONE AREA OF NEW GROWTH SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A KID
- DON'T GIVE THEM EVERYTHING- DELAY GRATIFICATION, SPOILED KIDS BECOME MONSTERS- GIVE THEM THE CHANCE TO WAIT & TO EARN WHAT THEY WANT
- PRAY FOR THE FAMILY- IT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU EVER DO FOR THEM
- BALANCE GETTING INVOLVED & LETTING THEM FIGURE IT OUT FOR THEMSELVES- NEED FOR AUTONOMY & DISCIPLINE
- HAVE YOUR OWN FRIENDS & INTERESTS