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Praises & Prayers

A message from our son, Lucas

I recently went on a Passport2Purity weekend with my dad. It is a getaway for a dad and a son to talk about becoming a teenager. You listen to several audio sessions over 2 days. There are many different topics... peer pressure, body changes, dating, pornography, staying pure, and more. After each audio session there is an activity to do together.



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One of the sessions talked about the Bible and how it is your guide. For this activity we each had a puzzle to work. My dad had a puzzle with a normal puzzle box, with the picture on top. My puzzle did not come with a box top, I just got the pieces in a brown paper bag. I had to figure out how to do the puzzle on my own.

We had 3 minutes to work our puzzles and whoever had the most pieces connected at the end won. When the time was up, my dad had a lot more puzzle pieces put together because he had something to look at. I didn't have anything. ***This activity portrayed that The Bible is the Box Top of the puzzle. It is your guide, you should use it, and it is quite helpful when going through your teenage years.***

The best part about the weekend was just spending time with my dad, talking about things man-to-man. A lot of the stuff we talked about, I didn't know about. ***I learned a lot. It helped me to know what I am going to be encountering and how to prepare for what is ahead.***

If you are thinking about doing the Passport2Purity weekend with your son, I would encourage you to do it. It will be a fun and memorable experience for the both of you.

Lucas Walker



We went on a camping trip for my Passport2Purity weekend. We forgot the sleeping bags, but thankfully we remembered the air mattress.



At the end of our weekend we went go-carting for fun. My dad is still the better driver, but I don't have my license yet... 5 years and counting!

Praise: for a great Passport2Purity weekend for Lucas and Nathan. Praise God for such a great resource! Pray that many other dads/sons, moms/daughters will make the time to do this Passport2Purity weekend together.

Praise: that we are already seeing fruit from our couples marriage bible study and the Praying Wives Club. Several couples have shared how it has drawn them closer together, closer to God, and more couples are praying together! Some for the first time!

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.”
Matthew 7:24-25

We couldn't have said it better ourselves,

Nathan & Jennifer



Allison Won a Contest

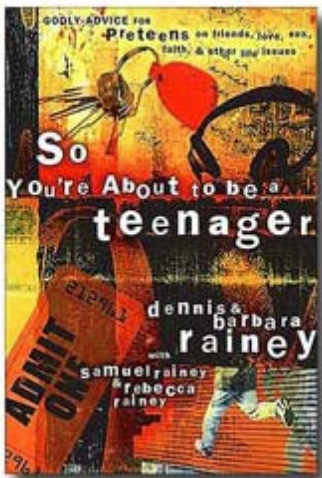


We are so proud of Allison. Our little writer. This past spring she entered the PBS Kids Writing Contest for the state of Arkansas. She worked hard writing and illustrating a story called “Where is Bella?”

We were thrilled when we got a phone call from PBS telling us that she had won 2nd place!

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The screenshot shows the top portion of the Passport2Purity website. At the top left is the 'FAMILYLIFE' logo with the tagline 'Help for today. Hope for tomorrow.' To the right of the logo are navigation links: Marriage, Parenting, Blended families, Faith, Blogs, Radio, Events, Shop, and Find Help. A search icon is located in the top right corner. Below the navigation is a breadcrumb trail: 'Homepage / Passport2Purity'. The main content area features a large photograph of a woman in a pink shirt and a young girl in a white shirt, both smiling and looking at something together. Overlaid on the photo is the text 'Passport2Purity' and 'A life-changing getaway with your preteen'. To the right of the photo, the text reads: 'Passport2Purity® Our children's innocence is under attack, and parents cannot win the battle with a single awkward "birds and the bees" talk or a strict set of rules. The Passport2Purity Getaway Kit helps build heart-to-heart communication between you and your pre-teen while laying a foundation of purity that will prepare them for the turbulent years ahead.' Below this text is a 'Buy Now' button.



A Great Follow Up—So You're About To Be A Teenager

A book written directly to your pre-teen, by young adults, brother and sister, Samuel and Rebecca Rainey. They have just exited the teen years and are full of sound wisdom for your teen. They share about their slip-ups and about their victories through their teen years.

As a follow up to Passport2Purity, it is recommend that the opposite sex parent go through this book. I (Jennifer) am in the process of reading this book with Lucas.

We each read one chapter on our own. Lucas tells me when he is finished. The next morning we meet on the patio for a “Hot Chocolate Talk”. We discuss the chapter over hot chocolate and go through the questions at the end the chapter. It has been a great bonding experience and we have had some great conversations come out of