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Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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What Are We Teaching Our Children—Part II

Your daughter is about to graduate from high school. Baccalaureate is scheduled to be held on Sunday evening at a local denomination's facilities. She says, "Dad, this is probably the last time I will see some of the people. And anyways, I've worked 12 years for this." What do you say? Perhaps, "We'll all be there to support you." Or "I know it's important to you. It'll be OK for you to miss worship services this one time." Or "The rest of us are going to go to worship services. That is where I feel that you need to be, but I will leave this decision up to you. After all, in a few months, you will be away at college and will be making your own decisions there." Or... **"I understand it is important to you, however, we do not associate ourselves with the teachings demonstrated there. And, we have services that night and you can not go. Why don't you invite some of your friends over to the house later that evening and we will cook out."* Or...* (*added*)

You come home from work elated to tell your wife and children that you have been offered a promotion. This means that you will have to move to a small town in a fairly remote location. Your wife says, "What about the church there?" What do you say? Perhaps "We really need this money. We'll figure something out about worshipping." Or "We have to find out about that before we accept this promotion." Or...* (*added*)

Spiritual education doesn't just come in formal settings. What are we teaching our Children in such everyday situations?

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