# Good News for KIDS

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# FAVOR WITH GOD



Dear Children, we live in an age when many want their kids to be "stars in the eyes of the World". Parents hoping to get their



child connected to the "star makers". But as

Children of God, "Your Heavenly Father Favors You, and wants



You to grow up Strong and Wise in Spirit". Just as Jesus grew up in His hometown, Nazareth. Let's read about His growing days: Luke 2:40 "There the child grew strong in body and wise in spirit. And the grace of God was on him."

<sup>52</sup> "And Jesus matured, growing up in both body and spirit, blessed by both God and people." Now John was the Youngest Disciple but when he was a wise old man, had this to say: "Nothing could make me happier than getting reports that my children continue diligently in the way of Truth!" (believing in, and obeying Jesus the Son of GOD.)

Also Jesus had this to say in Matthew 5:5 "You're blessed when

you're content with just who you are—no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be

bought." Matthew 6:25 "If you decide for God, living a life of God-worship, it follows that you don't fuss about what's on the table at mealtimes or whether the clothes in your closet are in fashion. There is far more to your life than the food you put in your stomach, more to your outer appearance than the clothes you hang on your body

<sup>26</sup>Look at the birds, free and unfettered, not tied down to a job description, careless **in the care of God**. <u>And **you count far more** to</u>

#### him than birds.

Instead of looking at the fashions, walk out into the fields and look at the wildflowers. They never primp or shop, <sup>29</sup>but have you ever seen



color and design quite like it? The ten best-dressed men and women in the country look shabby alongside **them**.



<sup>30</sup>"If God gives such attention to the appearance of wildflowers—most of which are never even seen—don't you think he'll attend to you, take pride in you, do his best for you? <sup>31</sup>What I'm trying to do here is to get you to **relax**, to not be so preoccupied with *getting*, so you can

#### respond to God's giving.

Brief Quotations from **The Message Bible**. I highly recommend this easy reading Translation by E. H. Peterson.

