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Two principles to help you become an effective parent:

Principle #1: As a parent, you need to clearly define the goal or target of parenting.

What is the goal of parenting? The goal of parenting is to <u>produce young men</u> and <u>young women</u> who are <u>godly.</u>

What does godliness mean? What godliness means is that we <u>reflect</u> who God is—in His <u>character</u>, in His <u>thinking</u>. in His <u>attitudes</u> - in who <u>we are!</u>
In other words—we reflect who God is in who we are..

Two negative influences from our culture:

- 1. Happiness We want our children to be happy.
- 2. Success We want our children to be successful.

Principle #2: As a parent, you <u>need</u> to have a <u>strategy</u> to obtain your goal. I'm going to simplify this strategy down to one word: <u>modeling.</u>