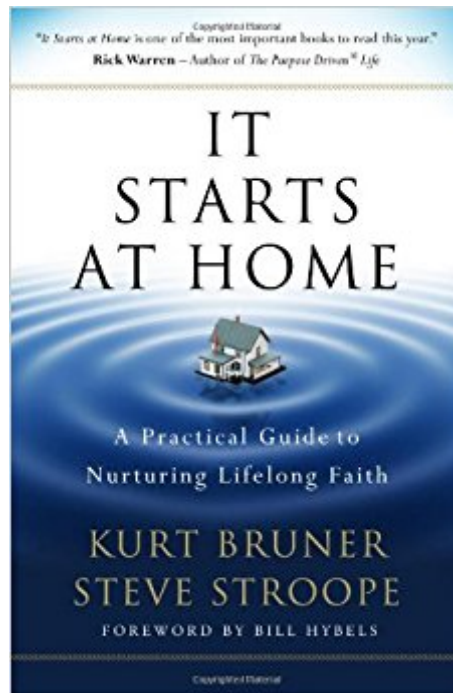


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# It Starts At Home: A Practical Guide To Nurturing Lifelong Faith



## Synopsis

Over the past several years church leaders have seen one report after another stating that over 50% of evangelical kids walk away from Christianity as adults. Believing the best strategy for turning the tide is to strengthen families, the authors seek to challenge leaders to restore their homes as the proving ground of meaningful success. *It Starts at Home* upholds marriage and family as the proving ground for lasting success. It helps recalibrate a leader's priorities by asking them to evaluate their leadership where it counts most. Experienced leaders, speakers, and pastors Kurt Bruner and Steve Stroope provide a clear purpose, an effective strategy, and a simple plan for couples, parents, grandparents, and church leaders in this movement toward intentionality in the home. (120 Day Assessment, Plan & Ideas included.) It isn't too late.

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One of the most insightful leaders in America is Steve Stroope. We've been friends since teenagers, coworkers in ministry together for almost 40 years, and we're always learning from each other. Now Steve has tackled one of the most critical needs today: building strong families. We can't have strong churches, communities, or nations without strong families. Families are foundational. The greatest single influence on my life and leadership was the strong family I grew up in. *It Starts at Home* is one of the most important books to read this year. Rev. Rick Warren is Founding Pastor of Saddleback Community Church and author of *The Purpose Driven Life*. Faith-formation begins at home for better or worse. No one has done

more to make that reality clear and practical than my friend and partner, Kurt Bruner. I urge every leader to read *It Starts At Home* as a first step toward joining one of the most important movements of this generation. Dr. John Trent, President of the Center for Strong Families and author of *The Blessing* If the local church is the hope of the world then we must take seriously the church's responsibility to call couples, parents and grandparents to create God-honoring homes. Only then will we see the tide of declining generational faith transfer turn. I encourage you to use this book as a tool to spark a movement among those within your sphere of influence. Rev. Bill Hybels, Founder of the Willow Creek Association and author of *Just Walk Across The Room*

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A very practical and challenging guide to having Jesus in your home. It's based in biblical truth and supported by very practical guidelines to make the home a place where Jesus lives and families of all sizes and ages can become stronger in their faith at home.

Excellent book that does more than present a diagnosis--it offers a cure. Very understandable and eminently practical. This speaks to something that should be a priority of every church.

God is turning hearts of fathers back to their children and the hearts of children back to their fathers. This book highlights the need to refocus the home as the primary place for spiritual development. After much discussion among many churches, Kurt Bruner and Lake Pointe Church appear to have made the needed and appropriate steps toward accomplishing life transformation through

focusing on the home. Not only do they show the current state of families and the church, they give solutions to that are easily implemented. This is not about a new PROGRAM, or a FAD, but in taking the biblical model and being intentional. I highly recommend this book, along with the broader study done by the Innovation Alliance [...]

Good family resource

Great book ...encouragement for parents as they develop an innovative way for building a faith at home family experience for life.

This is a great book that every parent needs to read. Great practical ideas on raising our kids with Jesus at the forefront in light of statistics showing that our kids have been failing to make faith in Jesus Christ their own when they leave home!

Excellent book. He offers a solid foundation for the family, and some great ideas that are easy to apply. I used it for a MOPS presentation and it was well received. The keys to a successful family are critical to all of us. The section on being a grandparent is an added bonus. Practical but also very informative on the conditions and challenges of the American family.

If you have kids and love them and want them to have a faith---read this. It does start at home and parents have the joy of giving the gift of faith.

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