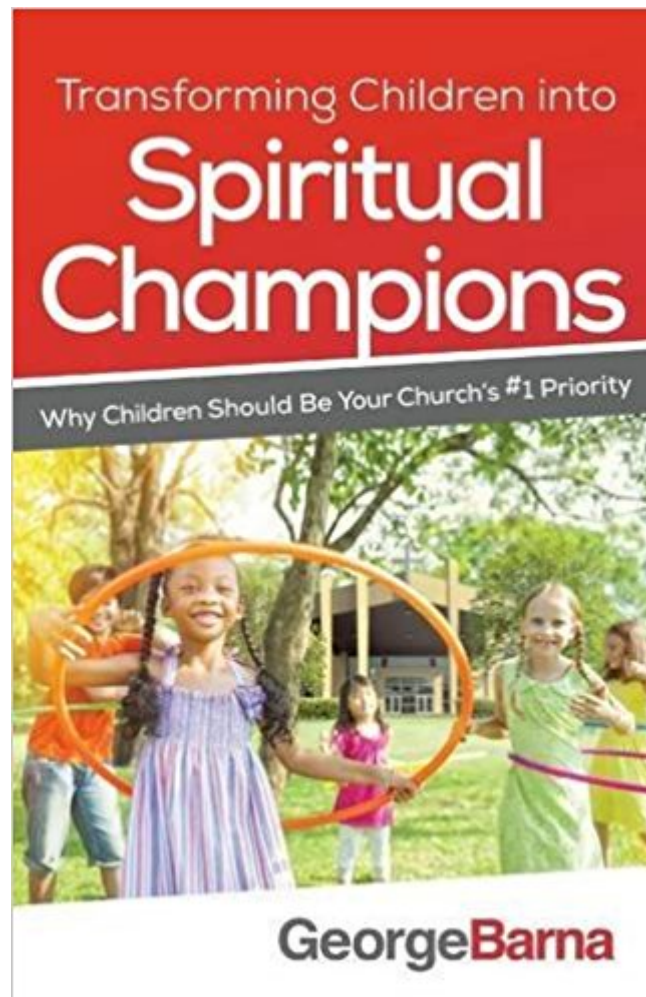


The book was found

Transforming Children Into Spiritual Champions: Why Children Should Be Your Church's #1 Priority



Synopsis

No one can deny our culture is opposed to Christian values, and the influences bombarding our children's moral development are difficult to contend with. But few parents and church leaders realize that a child's moral development is set by the age of nine. It is therefore critical to start developing a child's biblical worldview from the very earliest years of life. The problem is complex: parents who themselves did not receive early spiritual training leave their children's training to the church. Yet the church often focuses on older children. The answer is for churches to come alongside parents to provide them biblical worldview training, parenting information, and counseling that will equip them to help their children become the spiritually mature church of tomorrow. This helpful and hopeful book unpacks just how to develop this kind of dynamic church/parent relationship and includes profiles of churches that are effectively ministering to children and winning the war for their hearts and minds.

Book Information

Paperback: 160 pages

Publisher: Baker Books; Reprint edition (January 19, 2016)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 080101879X

ISBN-13: 978-0801018794

Product Dimensions: 5.5 x 0.4 x 8.5 inches

Shipping Weight: 12.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars Â Â See all reviews Â (67 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #121,294 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #44 in Â Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Ministry & Evangelism > Children's Ministry #77 in Â Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Churches & Church Leadership > Church Growth #323 in Â Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Churches & Church Leadership > Pastoral Resources

Customer Reviews

I have never read anything by George Barna, though I have heard a great deal about him, as his statistics seem to be quoted by every Christian speaker under the sun. From that perspective, I expected great things from this book. Truthfully, I was disappointed. To be fair, he does present a solid case that God cares deeply about children, so the church should care about children, too. But that's not something that any reasonable church leader would dispute. His description of what effective churches are doing was compelling and caused me to consider those various strategies.

However, I wish that he had been more specific through that chapter, to identify what specific churches had done in detail. Instead, he chose to speak in very general platitudes. Again, with such generalities, it is hard to disagree, but it also tends to be much less instructive to the reader. My first primary criticism of the book is that, as mentioned in some other reviews, the statistical data seemed to be rather sparse. The book served largely as a forum for Barna to sermonize about ministering to children. Though he had some good things to say, his reputation suggests that he comes from a very objective place of analytical research. That did not seem to be the primary thrust of this book. Maybe I had unreasonable expectations, but this book is not a statistical analysis of the state of contemporary church ministries to children. A few stats are mentioned (and even repeated) throughout, but I wanted more. I also felt like his claim that children's ministries should be THE primary focus of church ministry was a stretch, and not well-supported. That churches should make ministry to children ONE OF THE primary focal points is something worth articulating.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Transforming Children into Spiritual Champions: Why Children Should Be Your Church's #1 Priority
The Subtle Power of Spiritual Abuse: Recognizing and Escaping Spiritual Manipulation and False
Spiritual Authority Within the Church Money and Soccer: A Soccernomics Guide: Why Chievo
Verona, Unterhaching, and Scunthorpe United Will Never Win the Champions League, Why
Manchester ... and Manchester United Cannot Be Stopped Raising Up Spiritual Champions
Newsletter Planning Isn't My Priority (Functioning Executive) Worship: The Ultimate Priority 13
Modern Artists Children Should Know (Children Should Know) Coaching Salespeople into Sales
Champions: A Tactical Playbook for Managers and Executives Why Nobody Wants to Go to Church
Anymore: And How 4 Acts of Love Will Make Your Church Irresistible Growing an Engaged Church:
How to Stop "Doing Church" and Start Being the Church Again Who Runs the Church?: 4 Views on
Church Government (Counterpoints: Church Life) The Emotionally Healthy Leader: How
Transforming Your Inner Life Will Deeply Transform Your Church, Team, and the World Why Does
 $E=MC^2$ and Why Should We Care Chakra Wisdom Oracle Cards: The Complete Spiritual Toolkit for
Transforming Your Life Church Refugees: Sociologists reveal why people are DONE with church
but not their faith Culture Shift: Transforming Your Church from the Inside Out Stuff Every Man
Should Know (Stuff You Should Know) The Elements of Journalism, Revised and Updated 3rd
Edition: What Newspeople Should Know and the Public Should Expect What Every Student Should
Know About Citing Sources with APA Documentation (What Every Student Should Know About...)
Discover Your Spiritual Gifts: The Easy-to-Use Guide That Helps You Identify and Understand Your
Unique God-Given Spiritual Gifts

