

The Family



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Genetic Engineering

“You may have heard of designer clothes, designer bags, designer shoes and even a designer nose. But have you heard of designer babies? Yes, designer babies are possible to be produced with the help of genetic engineering in humans. Parents can choose the characteristics of their babies, like blond with blue eyes, high IQ, fair skin, etc. It may even be possible to choose the talent in your favorite idol to be manufactured (pun intended!) in your baby, like for example, a singer like Elvis Presley or maybe a great dancer like Micheal Jackson. No, I am not joking, this is all possible with a little bit of genetic engineering, within the blueprint of life - DNA.”

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Family Tree



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Pray for your family. Be quick to forgive. Be a listener. Have the attitude of a servant.

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Proverbs 22:6

“It sounds like a promise, but a proverb does not give a promise. The book of Proverbs advises its hearers in ways that are most likely to lead them to desired consequences if all things are equal. It is much more likely that a child will be a responsible adult if trained in the right path. However, there is also the possibility that the child might come under the negative influence of peers or be lead astray in some other way. The point is that this proverb encourages parents to train their children, but does not guarantee that if they do so their children will never stray. This insight into the form of the proverb is particularly important for parents to grasp when their adult children have not turned out well; otherwise, the verse becomes a sledgehammer of guilt – a purpose that it was not intended to carry. On the other side, the proverb should not become a reason for pride if one’s children turn out well either. The proverb is simply an encouragement to do the right thing when it comes to raising one’s children.”

- Tremper Longman, *Proverbs*, 405

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4. **Has parents that discipline their children for their own good**
(3:11-12; 13:24; 19:18; 23:13-14; 29:15, 17).