

opportunities that homeschooling allows for our children to have access to studies and life experiences that are only a dream for others such as flight training, boating, mission work, sailing, recording, television/radio broadcasting, navigation, etc. You may have other areas that your children are able to pursue. Turn them loose AND count it! All of these areas give a very rich education while helping our children to prepare for their calling.

⇒ **Experience in their very own business, ministry, or apprenticeships.**

One of the best training grounds that we have seen our homeschool afford for our children's education has been their own businesses, our family ministry, and apprenticeships throughout the years. Our children have done everything from sell lemonade and brownies at homeschool book sales to paint fingernails (Now, Matthew wants for me to clarify that HE did not pursue this business venture, it was SOLELY his sister's pursuit!) to have a rolling knife store (that is a Matthew thing that he claims) to help run our international ministry and mail order company. We have sweet, sweet memories from watching our children as they minister to others and learn lessons that cannot be learned anywhere else. As they finish their years at home, we have decided to give them a blessing that enables them to either get a good start with a business they will keep for life OR give them the resources to build their home, further their education, or invest in other businesses. Our plans have always been to allow each of our children to choose their own business, while we invest in the set up and beginning inventory or start up cost. This is part of our graduation gift that we plan to give each as a junior in high school. I cannot tell you how awesome it is to see Matthew already living the life that many can only dream of living. We want the same thing for our daughter. We feel that it is very important for our children to have the opportunity to develop their business into a lifelong "family business" if they choose or choose to develop it and sell it for profit. We simply want for them to gain life experience and have some options that give them a choice in their future. You may not have the resources to begin a business for your children, but we highly suggest letting them get into the work force, especially your sons or any "burnt-out" learners. If you are a bit apprehensive about that, encourage them to apprentice with a ministry or business. Our ministry constantly needs help; however, help often wants pay. You may think that is a given, but some of my most priceless lessons have come as I have

served other ministries for FREE myself in exchange for the wisdom of my mentors and the priceless experience. The wisdom gained from an apprenticeship is worth more than pay, plus your children will have work experience that cannot be beaten. Whether you choose a business, an apprenticeship, or ministry opportunities, they will have life lessons that will grow them in wisdom and character.

- ⇒ **Governmental operations...** Now, can you tell that my darling husband is a retired employee of the State of Alabama? This is an area that he feels that all high school students should have a bit more than one semester of a Government Textbook. Few adults are even educated about legalities on a local, state or federal level. In fact, we are constantly amazed at the purposeful ignorance of laws that are a protection to law-abiding citizens. Another area that few are involved in is the area of politics. We have sought from the time our children were toddlers to have them KNOW our political candidates on a personal level and KNOW the electoral process. We have seen a great need for students to learn early not just "about" their civic responsibilities, but to learn what is expected of them with their voting, taxes, and judicial responsibilities. Now, I know that my husband and I have had the perfect opportunities to instill this in the lives of our children, but you can easily access those around you AND loan your children out to your local Republican or I guess, well, ugh, maybe EVEN Democratic) Club! (Ha! I CAN be partial, this is MY book! 😊)
- ⇒ **Financial...** Yet another area that is TOTALLY eliminated from the typical "scope-and-sequence." Yes, if there is one area that we are fully convinced that ALL high school students need a FULL background in finance before graduation. You and I both know the problems that could be alleviated if this area were addressed and students taught about banking, investing, budgeting, and finance. This kinda parallels business opportunities. Our children have learned volumes from their business experiences AND through helping with our ministry finances. I cannot express how much they need this type of preparation for life. This is KEY to preparation for life.
- ⇒ **Maintenance and upkeep of personal property.** I KNOW what some of you are thinking! Teach this to a TEEN? Ha! Yes. This is the time that they must be taught how to properly maintain and upkeep the home,

office, autos, etc. In fact, you will giggle as you hear that Harold bought what Matthew and I call "junk-heaps" for Matthew to learn HOW to restore and repair old cars. Nothing can hurt these old metal monsters. The experience of restoring something almost beyond repair is priceless and what we consider to be perfect preparation for the future. PLUS! They cannot mess them up! ☺

- ⇒ **Homemaking skills.** Oh, this is not just for our daughter. We want for our daughter-in-law to LOVE us when she marries our son. Both of our children from the time they were early elementary have helped to maintain our home. Both have helped tremendously in the kitchen while Harold and I cook. Everyone does his or her part PLUS helps others with any area that they need help. This is perfect preparation for our children to assume the responsibilities of their own home.
- ⇒ **Godly character.** I may list this last, but this is the most important lesson that we feel MUST be instilled in our children. You know where this is on the typical "scope-and-sequence" don't you? NOT THERE! They will not be ready to assume any responsibilities unless they have godly character. To instill this, we must do more than just go to church and ask a blessing over our meals. We must conscientiously teach them all about godly womanhood and godly manhood, parenting, ministry, missions, and service. We must teach them with great materials, but the greatest lessons will not come from materials. The greatest lessons will come from the fabric of our lives, as we teach along the way.

Document ALL of Their Education!

So, now that you can see some of the extras (I do want you to know that there is MUCH, MUCH more to be taught!), how on earth do we document these lessons for those transcripts and count these lessons as credits toward those diplomas? We have several ways that we are documenting the education that our children receive each day.

- ♥ **Student's Journal and Transcripts...** Throughout high school we have kept a *Student's Journal* for each of our children. Actually, THEY keep their journals. They log in each day what they do as we go along the way. All throughout the high school years, I have gone back through their journals

each six months to evaluate what has been learned and the progress that they are making so I am certain that they are progressing at the pace that will help them complete their studies for graduation. At that time, I count up the credits and pencil them into a transcript that I keep in my journal. At the beginning of each year, we let the children know which credits **MUST** be met for the year. At the end of the year, we take a look at what has been attained and even note the extras that they have earned along the way.

- ♥ **Notebooks and portfolios...** I guess that everyone following my writing would **KNOW** that notebooking is a vital part of the education of my children. This **DID NOT** end when we began high school. Instead, we note-book **EVEN MORE!** The high school years are the years that we see the fruit that results from the planting, nurturing, and constant watch over the seeds of discipline sown over the elementary years. The daily discipline of writing, researching, and recording in notebooks has now resulted in a lifestyle that continues throughout the day as they find neat gems in books they read in their "free time" and as they study through topics of interest collecting neat information along the way. All through the high school years, Matthew continued to have the same school schedule that we had from the younger years. The only difference was his skill level. Elisabeth continues to have a set table time. Table time consists of Bible Study, Math, Language Arts (copywork, research, or creative writing across the subjects), and Latin. Each area has its own notebook. In Language Arts, we have a whole host of notebooks ranging across many, many topics and subjects. The difference between this and the traditional methods used by many schools is the depth of study that notebooking allows while also encouraging deeper research. I have to tell you that notebooking is one the keys to documenting learning, but it is so much more. When notebooking, our children write their own "textbooks" as they record the most amazing information in their notebooks. These heirlooms give more than just records, they are memory books that will one day depict the full education that our children were able to experience while homeschooling. A true treasure.

At the end of the year, I pick a wide variety of their work from all of their studies, make copies, and construct a portfolio of their work. In their yearly portfolio, we include a copy of my goals, my yearly plans, a list

of materials used, and my book "wishes." At the end of the year, we make a copy of the actual book list from my children's *Student Journal* to keep in the portfolio. We also include "scrapbook" entries of extra-curricular activities that are hard to document. The notebooks and portfolios document our children's ACTUAL education much, much better than the lesson plans that we began using in the early years.

- ♥ **Personal resume...** Another way that we document and present the actual education that our children are receiving is by building their personal resumes. We have chosen to put MORE effort in building their resume than in their transcripts. Sound odd? This is something that very few people, even college graduates know how to do. Harold has seen many resumes come across his desk. Very few really represented the education and experience of the employee or prospective employee. In fact, because of the education that has dominated so many of the employees or prospective employees during high school and college, many have very shallow resumes. One of the gifts that we wanted to give our children was TIME to build their education and life experiences during the high school years.

The painful truth is, I have never had to present my transcript OR diploma in order to get a great job. I HAVE had to present a professional resume and press packets to "sell" my abilities and myself. My husband, also, retired after working for the State of Alabama. When applying, he submitted (his own idea!) his high school, Jr. College, and Sr. College diplomas and his resume. When asking if they considered college to be an asset, their response was, "I am sorry Mr. Rushton, we are an EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. You are on the same footing as anyone applying, even those with a GED. We simply cannot consider your college attainments."

Now, as homeschooling parents, this has spoke volumes to us about the hypocrisy and false ideals of what college or diplomas could really provide. As a result, our focus during these years has been a bit different. We feel that it is just as important for our children to build their resumes and life experiences during these years as it is for them to complete the standard number of credits and record a nice transcript. Although we ARE keeping transcripts that will easily present an overview of courses that our

children are studying and extracurricular involvements during the high school years, we are also investing in businesses that each may pursue instead of college if they desire. Both of our children have, *GASP*, mentioned homeschooling during college, which would not require the same "riggamaroar" (a term by my mother) that other colleges would require for admissions. In fact, Matthew easily proceeded directly from homeschooling high school into homeschooling through college with a major in business. Actually his college level courses did not begin after graduation, he began studying business, marketing, and accounting early in his high school years. This is hard to document on an average transcript. These things can best be communicated on a resume. Now is the time to begin building those resumes...not after college!

These ideas are by all means not the *ONLY* way to record real learning that occurs in the homeschool. You are free to do what works with you and your family. In fact, if your children are college-bound outside of the home, you will want to research other resources to find more counsel and ideas until you find your way.

Just keep in mind that this is *OUR* way. It does not mean that this is the way that everyone else should do it. Rather, the *BEST* way is *THE WAY* that will *consistently* work into your home. Usually consistency comes with ease and simplicity. Make it easy.

Take some time to really think through the education that you really want to provide for your child. Set your goals. Make a plan for reaching that high mark. Then, wrap your records around that plan. As you do, you will find that homeschooling, even during the high school years, will be easy!

Wrap High School Around Your HOME Not School!

As we enter into the high school years, another key is to make learning a lifestyle. Your young children, if real honest, are not interested in playing "school." They do not want a school. They want a real home. As they mature, you will find that your children are even *MORE* in need of a home, not a school. These last few years it is even more vital than ever that we develop our homes and our family lifestyle. So, I challenge you to develop your own lifestyle that will be just right for your family. *BE* a family! A home...not a homeSCHOOL. As

you do all else will fall in place...the choices, the schedule, and the struggles...all will fall into place.

Want to make learning a lifestyle but have no idea how to begin? First, look at *ways to encourage RELATIONSHIP building* in your home. Wrap all around your family life. In the high school years, as never before, there is a war waging against family life. Battle valiantly by setting a priority on family life. This begins as we wrap our day around our husbands' schedules, balancing all else to fit in around their daily schedule. In our family, all was stressful and full of strife until we wrapped our schedule around my husband's schedule. Nothing else seemed to work. Now, we can easily gage whether we can work in extracurricular activities, studies, work, apprenticeships, etc. If it creates stress and strife, it goes. The second thing that we always consider is whether an activity, job, or study affects our time that we have set aside to build family memories and traditions. Even good things have not fit in because we simply could not balance the demands with our priority of a strong family-centered life.

Secondly, *think of who you are?* What do you think your day should look like? What do you think should be taught to your children? How can you practically pull in all you want to teach? How can learning best occur?

As I have looked at these questions practically for our family, I have found that I cannot bring "school" even "high school" into my home. The children just do not learn as much AND I am simply WAY too stressed. The more we used the habits of our lifestyle as tools to teach our children, the more they seemed to learn and the easier it has been for me. The more we use the ways Harold and I continue to learn topics of our interest as adults, the more things fit together.

Take a look at how YOU learn, how you continue to learn about areas you want to pursue for yourself. If you are like Harold and I, you will find that some of your learning techniques are as old as the sun. When either of us want to learn something new, we *read* all that we can find on that topic. We *research* the topic using all reference materials that we have available to us (books, magazines, newspapers, Internet, encyclopedias, reference books, PEOPLE, etc.). We *access people* who KNOW and LOVE the topic that we are interested in. We get busy "doing" *hands-on* what we want to know. If you think of how we learn, you find that these are the OLD WAYS that students used to learn before education became so *progressive* ☺. These are the OLD PATHS. The

Bible is clear in Jeremiah 6: 16 that we will find REST (remember Matthew 11: 28-30) as we walk in the old paths...

"Thus saith the Lord: Stand by the roads and look; and ask for the eternal paths, where the good, old way is; then walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." Jeremiah 6: 16

Don't turn away from the old paths in high school. Use those tested, tried, and true methods now too! It may be copywork and notebooking, which we find as far back as Deuteronomy 17: 18-20. It may be narration, that method that has brought us the entire Bible and preserved History for us to learn today. It may be apprenticeships with those knowledgeable about areas of interest, as seen all throughout time. Search the old paths for fresh homeschool ideas. They will work! They will work while wrapping education around your home, not school.

Look at your life. What is already in your hand, ready for you to use? What is in your back yard, ready to explore? More than likely, as you develop your home, instead of a homeSCHOOL, you will find that you, too, can homeschool, even during high school, the easy way.

Prepare for LIFE!

What is it that our children REALLY need for us to teach during these last few years? What do they really need to be sent forth from our homes? If they were arrows, being shot forth to hit a mark, how would we prepare them?

Harold and I have thought about this over the years. As I shared above, you can see some of these priorities by what we have decided that we want for our children to learn. What is really needed? Our children need preparation for LIFE, not college, or even a career. They need preparation for LIFE.

They need for all of their studies to sharpen them to make a difference in our culture. They need answers to the tough questions. They need to study the different worldviews and how they affect behavior, politics, art, music, theology. They need to study and prepare for their roles in their own families. They need to do the things that help direct them toward their life purpose, whether those things are mission trips, apprenticeships, jobs, family ministry, life studies, business opportunities or even time spent with you and your husband (and the grandparents). These are the very things that tend to get "in the way" of the

traditional homeschool schedule. Yet these are really some of the most important things that our children can learn during these years.

Go for it! Give your children preparation for their life. Don't be in bondage to the credentials that our culture has set for completion. You can have a higher standard! When our children are in the midst of their daily duties, there will be just a few things that really matter. Make those things your focus. As you do, God will make homeschooling during the high school years easy for you too!

Seize this Time...Pass the Torch!

One of my favorite "parenting" passages in the whole Bible comes from 1 Chronicles 28. Just for space, I will not clip it in. I recommend that you read it now...

In my opinion, this is one of the most tender and precious passages of Scripture between a parent and child in the whole Bible. In this passage, we see David, the man after God's own heart, passing the torch to his beloved son, who would assume the position of king over all of Israel. No small calling there. When I first read this passage, my thoughts drifted back to several of the most life-changing conversations of my life. If you want a good picture of my father passing on the torch to me as I prepared for my wedding, this passage would be almost a blow-by-blow account.

I remember one conversation as if it were yesterday (Don't start wondering HOW long it has been!). My father shared with me that he had so many hopes and dreams for my life. He continued by sharing with me that he had always tried to prepare me for the moment that was coming very close. He was at a point that all he could do was let go, watch to see what I would do with all he had taught me through the years, and pray that I had all that I needed to go forth. This is exactly what we see in this passage as we watch the tender relationship between David and Solomon.

From his early years, David had a vision for a tremendous work for God. As David stepped up to his call, he was faithful to hear God step-by-step. He begged God time and time again to allow him to build a temple of worship. God had a different plan. He wanted David to BUILD HIS OWN HOME. As he faithfully built his own home, God gave him the plans, directions, and even the

resources that would be used in building the temple. But, there was a catch.

Yes, David had all that was needed to build the temple, but God did not allow HIM to build it. God's plan was for David to pass the torch to his son, Solomon. David was to build his home and his son, gather provisions and plans for the temple, and prepare Solomon to take the torch and reach for the vision!

You know the end by now. There has never been anything that could hold-a-candle to the temple that Solomon built. It goes down in history as one of the greatest accomplishments of all time. Not only was a "building" erected, but also the very presence of God inhabited the temple. Of all the history of the Israelites, there has not been a greater time of praise and worship of God. Yep! Solomon picked up the torch and faithfully stepped up to the call!

As we look at the high school years, I think that this is the MAIN thing. This time is very, very precious. We simply must seize each moment that we have left.

As I think over what I really want for my children, I must admit that I want IT ALL for them! Sound like a mother?? We have homeschooled our children from the very beginning. I want for their education to be BEYOND what is just required to get a diploma or get into a college. I want for their education to prepare them for whatever God calls them to do. But, I want so much more than just that. I want to one-day look back and know, that I know, that I know that I poured out all that was within me. I want to look back with total confidence, knowing that we stayed the course to the end.

The days are ticking away. What can we do to seize each moment? What WILL count for eternity?

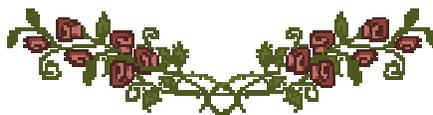
If we want to seize each moment, it will take sitting at the feet of Jesus. Hearing HIS way. Learning of Him. Allowing Him to show us each step that we are to take...and trusting Him. Not taking our eyes off of Him for even one moment. Sitting at the feet of Jesus is the only way that we will be filled to overflowing. Then and only then can we truly have anything that is worth pouring forth into the lives of our children. Then and only then will we find direction that we so need in order to prepare them for real life...for their calling.

Simplify so you can focus only on the preparation for their calling. Don't get overwhelmed...scared...frustrated...or distracted. Don't panic. Don't get weary. Don't get anxious about the little things. Simplify. Enjoy the journey!

Then, you, have an awesome promise JUST for you...

Then shall your light break forth like the morning, and your healing (your restoration and the power of a new life) shall spring forth speedily: your righteousness (your rightness, your justice, and your right relationship with God) shall go before you [conducting you to peace and prosperity], and the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry and He will say, Here I am. If you take away from your midst yokes of oppression [wherever you find them], the finger pointed in scorn [toward the oppressed or the godly], and every form of false, harsh, unjust, and wicked speaking, and if you pour out that which you sustain your own life for the hungry and satisfy the need of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness, and your obscurity and gloom become like the noonday, And the Lord shall guide you continually and satisfy you in drought and dry places and make strong your bones. And you shall be like a watered garden and like a spring of water whose waters fail not. And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of [buildings that have laid waste for] many generations; and you shall be called Repairer of the Breach, Restorer of Streets to Dwell In. (Isaiah 58: 8-12, AMPLIFIED)

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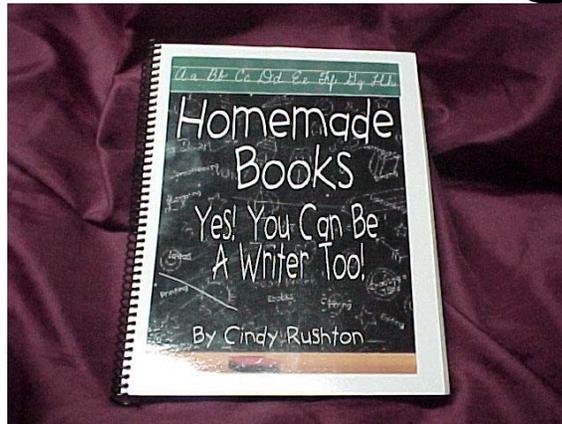
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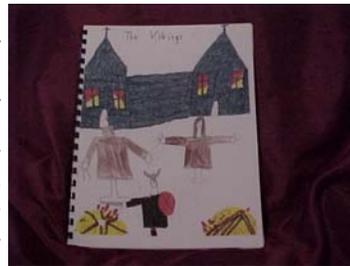
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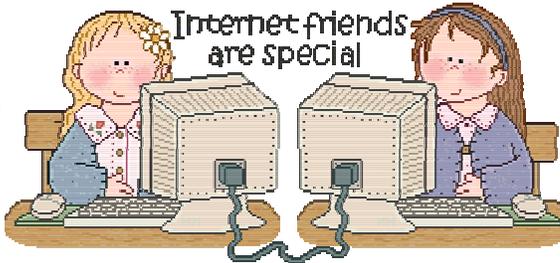
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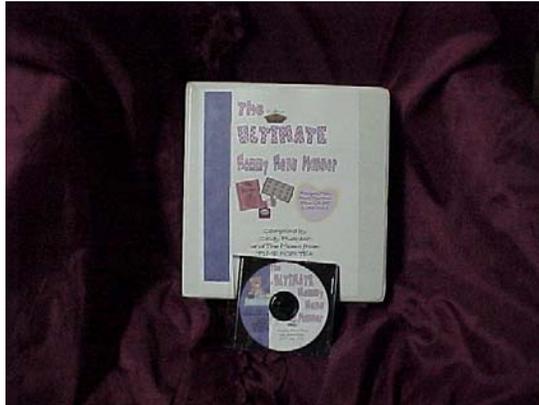
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