

Does God have a stated purpose for children?

Malachi 2:15

**To produce a godly generation**

Psalm 127:3-5

II Timothy 2:2

Does God have a stated purpose for education?

Deuteronomy 6:4-12

**The number one purpose of education is to see the character of God**

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Philippians 1:9-11

Another purpose of knowledge is to make us sincere before God

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Genesis 1:28; Proverbs 1:1-6

Another purpose of knowledge is to give us skill

Daniel 1:17 *“As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom”*

Johann Kepler, 17<sup>th</sup> century scientist

*“Oh God, I am thinking Thy thoughts  
after Thee”*

*“I commence a sacred discourse, a  
most true hymn to God the  
founder”*

To gain knowledge without understanding it's true purpose is to produce a self-centered student.

1 Corinthians 8:1

*“we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.”*

Ecclesiastes 12:13

*“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.”*

Do you believe all accounts of the Bible are true and accurate?

43.5% said “No”

18.2% said “Don’t know”

38.3% said “Yes”



Martin Luther, 1483-1546

*“I am afraid that the schools will prove the very gates of hell, unless they diligently labor in explaining the Holy Scriptures and engraving them in the hearts of the youth.”*

## Preface to Noah Webster's 1828 dictionary

*“In my view, the Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed.. .No truth is more evident to my mind than that the Christian religion must be the basis of any government intended to secure the rights and privileges of a free people.”*

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