Is Your Parenting Valuable?

I. Not Valuable (vain) Parenting

- It's very real.
- It can happen to any of us.
- But it doesn't have to be a reality.

II. What is Not Valuable Parenting?

- Vain parenting has nothing to do with how our children turn out.
 - They can turn out poorly and our parenting not be in vain.
 - They can turn out well and our parenting be in vain.
- Successful parenting is not having children that turn out the way we want them too.
- Vain parenting occurs when we do wrong.

III. What Makes Parenting Not Valuable?

- I Corinthians 15:58, "Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain."
 - Knowing that Christ resurrected from the dead, and knowing that His children will be resurrected in sinless bodies, we can be confident that the work we do in the Lord will not be in vain.
- Therefore, vain parenting is any parenting not done in the Lord.
 - Parenting for our children . . .
 - Parenting for ourselves . . .
 - Parenting for others . . .
 - ... will all result in vain parenting.

IV. How Do We Give Our Parenting Value?

- We must be born again.
- We must be steadfast.
- We must be immoveable.
- We must be always abounding in the work of the Lord.
- Then, and only then, can we rest in the promise that our work will not be in vain.

God-loving, God-fearing mom and dad, continue to know God better, continue to trust and obey Him, and your parenting will be valuable.