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IG12 [Session 12]	***A Biblical Guide to Parenting***
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Promotional message	As the next generation of the UBF grows, biblical parenting plays a pivotal role in strengthening families and members of the body of Christ in the UBF
Abstract	Parenting is a gift from God (Psalm 127:3), and it is a costly gift. Parenting is a hard and long journey of faith, love, and hope. Christian parents planted the word of God and did spiritual discipline when their children were young in their formative years. Christian parents must be faithful to God's word and become wise and encouraging parents to their children. How can we share the gospel of Jesus for the salvation and sanctification of the children graciously during the children's formative years and beyond? When parents receive God's comfort and heart renewal through the power of the gospel, they can grow in the image of Jesus, in love for God and love for others, they can build up their families and the members of the body of Christ toward maturity and the fullness of Christ. Biblical counseling provides new and effective tools and resources for parents to build up the next generation who can serve the body of Christ with Christlike hearts and attitudes (Matt 28:18-20, 22:37-39; Rom 15:14; Eph 4:15). This session aims to strengthen the parents with a biblical guide to faithful, wise, compassionate, and gospel-centered parenting.

Special note	Christian parents tend to become lone rangers in shepherding their children. The journey becomes more challenging when the children grow as teens and adults. We encourage parents to form a loving community of Christ and make disciples of Jesus in the present and next generations for the glory of God.