

Leading Children to Christ

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Land O' Lakes
Bible Chapel

Some Questions?

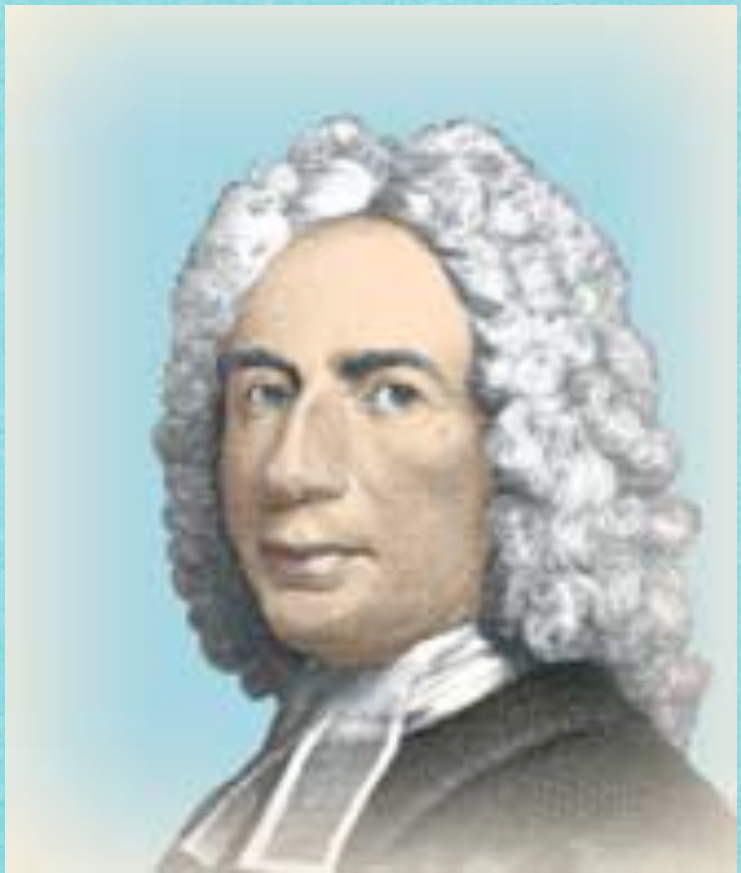
- ▶ **Can a child trust Christ for salvation?**
- ▶ **Can a child understand what sin is? That sin condemns to eternal judgment?**
- ▶ **What is one of the most important aspects in a parent or adult when leading a child to Christ?**
- ▶ **Judges 13 - Samson**



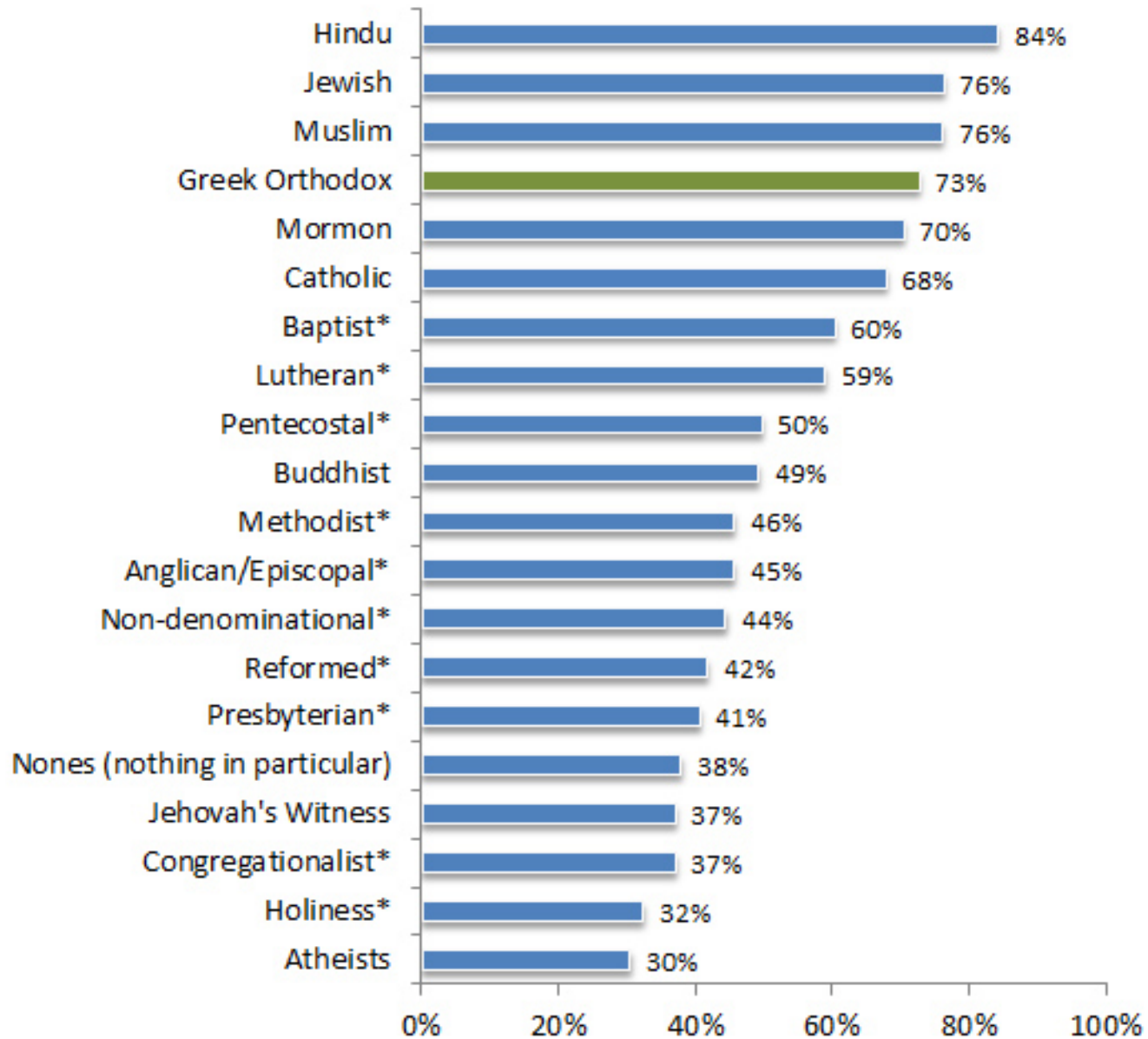








U.S. Religious Retention Rates: Percentage of those raised in a faith who remain affiliated with that faith as an adult



5 General Truths about Leading Children to Christ

- ▶ Children are more easily reached than adults
- ▶ Children are more easily convicted of sin than adults
- ▶ Children are more easily taught about Bible truths.
- ▶ Children respond more easily to gospel presentations.
- ▶ When a Child trusts Christ, not only is a soul saved, but potentially a life is saved.

Why do Children want to get saved over and over again?

- ▶ **Some desire to repeat a pleasant experience.**
- ▶ **Some want to please the person speaking to them.**
- ▶ **Some want to genuinely to be saved.**
- ▶ **Some desire the assurance of salvation.**

Some Do's and Don'ts when leading a child to Christ.

The Don'ts First

- ▶ **“Don't play God”**
- ▶ **Don't merely ask leading questions.**
- ▶ **Don't overemphasize Fear.**

Some Do's and Don'ts when leading a child to Christ.

- ▶ **Use the Bible when speaking to children.**
- ▶ **Do work along with the work of the Holy Spirit (John 16:7-8).**
- ▶ **Be available and accessible when a child wants to talk about spiritual things.**
- ▶ **Do correct incorrect or inadequate understanding about the gospel.**
- ▶ **Stress the urgency of salvation - “Now is the day of salvation” (2 Corinthians 6:2)**

Matthew 18:1-14 - The Salvation of Children

1. A child can be converted. - v. 3, 6

“Permit the little children to come unto me...the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Matt. 19:14)

2. A child can understand spiritual truths. - v. 3

3. Christians should be active in gospel outreach to children. - Matt. 18:5

4. No one should offend little ones who believe. - v. 6

5. Angels are concerned about the salvation of children. - v. 10

6. Christ labors that lost sheep (children) might be saved. - vv. 11-13

7. It is the Father’s will that every child be saved. - v. 14

“Even so it is not the will of your Father, who is in heaven, that one of these little ones perish.”