

2017 Homeschool Family Conference

GUIDING OUR LIVES BY THE BOOK



Session 11

Teaching Gifted & Special Needs

1. You Are an Expert

No one is better equipped to help a child than his parent!

Special education = specialized education

All moms face _____.

- ✓ Isaiah 41:10
- ✓ Isaiah 43:1

It is okay to ask for _____!

Recommended Resources:

- ✓ *Special Education at Home*, by Shawna Wingert (<http://nottheformerthings.com>)

2. You Are Not Alone

Recommended Resources:

- ✓ *What to Do About Your Brain-Injured Child*, by Glenn Doman
- ✓ <https://iahp.org/brain-injured-children>

3. You Are the Best Teacher

Where is the injury? See *Disconnected Kids* (below) for details.

- Right brain
- Left brain

Any chronic diseases? Other issues?

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What are your child's gifts?

Behavior:

- ✓ Is it a heart issue or a physical problem?
- ✓ Is it right or left brain?

Left Brain	Right Brain
Positive	Negative
Reward	Pain
If you do __, you will __.	If you don't do __, you won't get to __.

- ✓ Teach, don't enforce.
- ✓ Be patient. (Do you have realistic expectations?)
- ✓ Be consistent.
- ✓ Catch them being good.
- ✓ Don't make promises you can't keep.
- ✓ Give pre-activity warnings.
- ✓ Help your child learn self-control; be their control until they can do it.

Recommended Resources:

- ✓ *Disconnected Kids*, by Robert Melillo
- ✓ *The Sensory Child Gets Organized*, by Carolyn Dalgliesh
- ✓ *Learning in Spite of Labels*, by Joyce Herzog
- ✓ *Heart and Mind: What the Bible Says About Learning*, by Ruth Beechick

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4. You Are a Family

- ✓ What defines being “behind” or “ahead”?
- ✓ What is the perfect curriculum?
- ✓ The benefits of Together School (but let’s define “together”)
- ✓ Let them move, wiggle, draw, fidget, etc.
- ✓ Think outside the box.