

## THREE WAYS THAT PARENTS CAN HELP KIDS SIT THROUGH CHURCH.

### 1. EXPLAIN YOUR EXPECTATIONS-MAKE IT CLEAR & WHY IMPORTANT.

- A. Sit down at home and talk about your expectations for their behavior during church. Do it a week before and days before and the night before and the day of.
- B. It's important because church is a time for Christians to fellowship with other believers and to deepen their knowledge of scripture.
- C. It's also a time for nonbelievers to hear the amazing, soul-saving message that Jesus loves them enough to die for their sins.

### 2. SIT TOWARDS THE BACK & BRING SPECIAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES

- A. several coloring books and Crayola Twistables that are only for church use. Twistables are good because they don't ever need to be sharpened, they don't have paper to peel and make a mess, and they don't break.
- B. Other things that work well are sandwich baggies of Legos, Matchbox cars, Shopkins, Polly Pockets, Littlest Pet Shop, or other small toys.
- C. Snacks can help too (Goldfish, fruitsnacks)
- D. The important thing is that these are *special* toys or activities that they don't get to play with every day.** They will keep their interest longer because they aren't "old," and it will give them something to look forward to, thus creating positive feelings about Sundays.
- E. Kids Konnect will also provide an activity packet

### 3. ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO PARTICPATE IN WORSHIP

- A. The song service is a great time to teach kids how to participate appropriately
- B. Even though the kids don't know all the words they can still sing along, and gain a love for worshipping God.
- C. If we let kids play too early by the time sermon starts, when they need to be quiet they are bored. This will help.

### 4. CHILDREN WILL MAKE NOISE IT'S OK-IF IT PERSISITS JUST TAKE THEM OUT.