

Time and Home Management

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Managing Your Time

Understand your calling

Relationships come first! –

- With God With Spouse With Children

Inside Robbers – Social Media / TV / Pinterest – Try a Fast
Devices – Use Voice Mail or Caller ID – PUT IT DOWN!

Outside Commitments – Decide what you **SHOULD** be doing

- Pray
- “Experiencing God”, by Henry Blackaby – Don’t just DO something – STAND THERE
- Always be willing to say “No”
- Family comes first!

Managing Your HOME

School – Meals – Clutter/Cleaning

Schooling –

Schedules?

Break the mold – Who says it has to be done THAT way?
Give yourself permission to school the way that fits YOU! You have a style too.

Curriculum choice and uses – You don’t need a complete curriculum in every area. Don’t be boxed, limited, or jailed by curriculum. If it’s not working – STOP, even if you spent money.

Ideas:

- Don’t do every subject every day
- Don’t always start at the beginning – Test out
- Use unit studies
- Give credit for non-curriculum learning
- Use car time to listen to school
- Get a clear tablecloth
- Make your own weekly or monthly chart for them to check off

Networking – Co-op school and childcare

Meals – Your Freezer is your Friend! MAKE A PLAN!

Household clutter – Intentionality can be key 27 Things for 27 Days

It is junk if:

- It's broken or obsolete (and fixing it is unrealistic)
- You've outgrown it, physically or emotionally
- It will shock, bore, or burden the coming generation.

Ask yourself:

- Do I use it?
- Do I love it?
- Would I buy it again?
- Does it have a purpose?
- Does it have a place?
- Does it have a plan?
- Does it bring pleasure?

Household cleaning & laundry – DELEGATE!

- Best tip: 15 minutes clean sweep
- Do. The. Next. Thing.

Paper & More Paper!

Remember the Hammock – REST!!!

- Create a place of rest
- Make-a-bed challenge
- Loosen your string!

Resources:

Teaching From Rest^{**}, by Sarah Mackenzie – Wow! We all need the reminders in this little book.

Lies Homeschooling Moms Believe^{**}, by Todd Wilson – This one will really hit home.

365 Day Homeschool Mom^{**}, by Todd Wilson – Be encouraged EVERY day!

M is for Mama^{**}, by Abbie Halberstadt

Homeschool Experiment^{**}, by Charity Hawkins – Veterans will laugh as they remember the early years; new homeschool moms will love and benefit from the encouragement and tips.

Cleaning House: A Mom's 12 Month Experiment to Rid Her House of Youth Entitlement^{**}, by Kay Wyma – the title of this books says it all.

Clutter Free^{**}, by Kathi Lipp – Don't know where to start? Try this one.

The House that Cleans Itself^{**}, by Mindy Starns Clark

401 Ways to Get Your Kids to Work at Home^{**}, by Bonnie McCullough

Kid's Chore Chart^{**} – Write on, wipe off cleaning routines for kids.

How to Cook Everything: The Basics^{**}, by Mark Bittman

Big Book of Freezer Cooking, by Nanci Slagle – MY FAVORITE.

Meal planning sites: [Plan to Eat](#), [Cozi Recipe Box & Dinner Planner](#)

<http://flylady.net/> – Great encouragement and tips on home management, use the site, but beware of many e-mails if you sign up.

<http://www.whitehouseblackshutters.com/40-bags-in-40-days/> – Here's a doable challenge to help you declutter areas of your home and life.

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