



10 THINGS YOU NEED YOU TO KNOW TO MINISTER TO CHILDREN OF DIVORCE

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Children of divorce need adults and leaders who:

- 1** Understand that children from single parent homes may have a constant fear about their safety.

- 2** Will not leave them at the foot of the cross but will continually teach them about a heavenly Father who will never leave them or forsake them.

- 3** Understand the child standing before them may attend two different churches, two entirely different denominations and may be very confused about two different sets of belief.

- 4** Understand the mourning process a child of divorce experiences.

- 5** Understand the grieving process single parents experience when they become a single parent.

- 6** Understand the child from a single parent home may live in two separate homes.

- 7** Understand the need to develop caring relationships with not only the child but also with the single parent.

- 8** Understand the single parent does not always have control over when the child will be able to attend various church events.

- 9** Are willing and able to minister to the single parent as well as to the child.

- 10** Understand the stages a single parent experiences as they parent their children alone.

