

Bringing Men Back to the Church

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Reader mdavid alerted me to the following article concerning evangelization and men in the church:

[Bringing Men Back to the Church](#). The first sentence:

Hereâs a simple formula, tried and true, for getting families into church: If the fathers come, the wives and children will come, too.

The article is short and worth a read in its entirety. Here are the stats which lie at the heart of its argument:

- If a child is the first in the family to become a Christian, thereâs a 3.7 percent probability that the rest of the family will become Christians.
- If mom is the first in the family to become a Christian, thereâs a 17 percent probability that the rest of the family will follow.
- If dad is the first in the family to become a Christian, thereâs a 93 percent probability that everyone else in the family will follow his lead.

I can attest to personal anecdotes which firmly support this. A follow-up post will touch on that story more. The article itself is short on solutions, so I invite my readers to take this opportunity to offer their thoughts on how to address this problem.

In the meantime, [here](#) is another good blog post by Beefy Levinson which touches on why the priest shortage in the US is artificially created.

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