30. SUBJECT: Does your home need a good de-cluttering?

What in the world does de-cluttering have to do with parenting?

That’s a good question—and the answer might surprise you!

Here’s today’s *Tip for Modern Parents*:

**A cluttered home can distract us from more important things—like our children.**

We tend to spend a lot of time taking care of our possessions: our cars, our electronics, our toys, and more. I’m not saying that we should ditch everything and pare down to the bare essentials (minimalism is great but is not for everyone), but I am saying that perhaps we should take a closer look at how much time we’re spending on our *stuff*.

Here are some questions to ask yourself:

* How much time does it take to clean up our home?
* How could I reduce this amount of time?
* How can I reallocate time currently spent on taking care of possessions to other more important pursuits?

There is no formulaic answer here—take some time to evaluate where you are as a family and where you want to be. And then see what you can do to de-clutter!

Onward to better parenting,

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