



Wrestling With Parents

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The greatest gift I could ever give my parents was the ability to make them proud. I grew up on a small farm in Iowa and to say my upbringing was meager is an understatement. I was humbled by mediocrity and a child-

hood of hard work and basics: A loving family, a nice home. I came from the same family as a lot of successful wrestlers. A father who worked at a regular job and a mother who sacrificed everything for her children. I can't help but think that it was

this mediocrity or normalcy that aspired me to great things. All children want to make their parents proud. No matter what capacity: School, vocation, sports, marriage. We are all influenced by the same thing. It's just that sometimes God allows