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SPEAKING INFO

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## SPEAKER & PODCASTER

ERIN KUNKLE is the co-founder of MAVEN, where she serves as a speaker and board member. She has spoken to thousands of students and adults across the United States, addressing parenting, discipleship, worldview, and contemporary cultural issues from a Christian worldview. Her speaking has taken her to churches, conferences, schools, women's events, parenting seminars and ministry gatherings across the country. She also co-hosts the weekly MAVEN Parent Podcast.

Erin previously served as co-host of the Colson Center's Strong Women Podcast, a national podcast with more than one million downloads annually, where she interviewed a wide range of Christian thought leaders. She contributed a chapter entitled, "Sex Matters: Understanding the Differences Between Male and Female and Why It Is Good," for the book Truth: Lectures from the 2025 Defend Apologetics Conference.

Erin received her bachelor's degree in social science from Biola University, with an emphasis in political science and minors in public policy and Bible. She is a veteran homeschooling mother of more than 20 years and teaches high school logic and apologetics at the Sursum Corda Cooperative. She has been married to her husband, Brett, for 28 years. Together they have five children and three grandchildren, and live in Southern California.



# Speaking Topics

## GENERAL

- ✓ **My Journey—From Teen Pregnancy to Single Motherhood to Following Christ**  
The gospel is not a formula to follow but a story to inhabit. Erin Kunkle shares her story of struggle and difficulty, her encounter with the gospel and a life redeemed by Christ.
- ✓ **Why the Knowledge of God is Essential to the Christian Life**  
The modern church has lost a biblical vision of knowledge and how it transforms us. Yet, it's an essential part of the Christian life. But what are the different kinds of knowledge that we need? And if knowledge is so vital, where's the room for faith? This talk will show how the knowledge of God is necessary for a deeper relationship with Christ.

## WOMEN / MOTHERHOOD

- ✓ **Finding Identity in Our Design—God's Design for Women**  
The culture bombards us with messages about what makes a woman valuable. From outward appearance to workplace success to motherhood, women are encouraged to find and curate their identity in such things. But Scripture provides the only true and lasting foundation for identity, rooted in God's design of women.
- ✓ **Women—Made in The Image of God**  
Both men and women are God's image bearers, but do we reflect God's image differently? What does it mean to be made in the image of God as female? This talk reveals how God's unique and beautiful design is displayed uniquely in women and also reveals a woman's highest calling.



✓ **Women Who Demonstrate Strength as Women**

What criteria should we use to measure the strength of a woman? Do women exhibit the image of God in ways that are unique to women? This talk incorporates real-life stories of modern-day women (who have been interviewed on the Strong Woman podcast), to show the beauty and power of God's design for women.

✓ **Don't Listen to the Lies: God's Truth About Motherhood**

Our culture minimizes the value of motherhood and creates discontentment in moms. However, God's Word elevates the value of motherhood and the role that moms play in their families. This talk confronts the lies of our culture, replacing them with biblical truths.

✓ **The Beauty of Motherhood—Finding Beauty in the Mess**

Social media can paint an impossible picture of motherhood. Peaceful. Conflict-free. Neat and organized. Picture perfect. However, reality seems quite different. So how do we still see the beauty of motherhood amidst the difficulties and messiness of caring for our families and raising kids? By understanding God's design for motherhood, recognizing the value of all the mundane and hard things moms do and remembering how motherhood reflects the depth of God's love.

✓ **Motherhood and the Importance of Community**

God has given moms an enormous role to play in their families and in the lives of their children. But motherhood can be a difficult road and often, a lonely one. This talk examines a mother's need for community and how to cultivate it.

PARENTING

✓ **Cultivating a Theology of Home**

What is a home according to Scripture? How can we develop a "theology" or God-informed view of the home and what it is for? In this talk we will take a careful look at what our homes should be centered around, the goodness they provide to the weary world around us and how they even offer a foreshadowing of heaven to our family, friends, and neighbors. We'll conclude with practical guidance on building homes that glorify God and draw others to Him.

- ✓ **From Toddlers to Teenagers—How to Discipline Your Kids in Love and Truth**  
Why do we discipline? How do we do it? How do we discipline at different stages? This talk will provide a biblical picture of discipline, as well as practical steps and strategies for your home.
- ✓ **Why Isn't My Discipline Working & How Could it Undermine My Kids' Faith?**  
Is discipline merely a matter of getting kids to obey the rules? How does unsuccessful discipline actually undermine our kids' faith in God? How does our kids' view of authority influence their conscience and their response to discipline? In this talk, you'll connect the dots between authority, conscience and moral instruction and learn practical steps to discipline your kids in truth and love.
- ✓ **Why Gentle Parenting Doesn't Work With Real Kids**  
Today's parents are in desperate need of wisdom when it comes to the discipline of their kids. The Gentle Parenting movement has gained tremendous popularity, as it offers advice on discipline that often sounds good on the surface but when examined carefully, is unbiblical and ineffective. In this talk, Erin will expose the false assumptions of Gentle Parenting and offer practical discipline strategies that are both biblical and helpful.
- ✓ **Stop Doing Everything for Your Kids! How Struggle Develops Kids' Character**  
Modern culture tells us to pursue pleasure and avoid pain at all costs. But what does the Bible have to say about struggle, suffering and even pain? Are we hindering our kids' spiritual growth and character development by overprotecting them? This talk will help you to help your kids see struggle and suffering from God's point of view, as well as offer practical tips on how to allow your kids to struggle in healthy ways.
- ✓ **How to Build a Family Life That is "In But Not Of"**  
In our culture, family dysfunction and brokenness is pervasive. For many, broken families are simply the new normal. As such, Christians cannot overlook the powerful impact a healthy and harmonious home will have on those around us. So how can we cultivate a family life that brings stability, strength, peace and harmony? This talk provides practical guidance on raising a family amidst a culture where families are falling apart and reveals how a healthy home can be a bright light in a dark culture.

✓ **Developing a Family Technology Plan**

Technology is omnipresent in modern life. How do we help our family navigate a world of screens—smartphones, television, movies, social media, video games and more? This talk will give you very practical steps to take back control of your family’s technology use.

✓ **Children are a Blessing—Seeing Our Kids Through God’s Eyes**

How has the surrounding culture influenced the way we see children? Have we absorbed unbiblical views? This talk examines the beautiful picture of children painted on the pages of scripture and offers practical steps in recapturing the value of kids.

✓ **Encouraging Your Child’s Uniqueness**

God has designed every human being in unique and wonderful ways, and that includes our kids. In this talk we’ll look at practical ways parents can be intentional in recognizing and affirming their child’s uniqueness.

✓ **Raising Gender-Confident Kids—Helping Kids Embrace God’s Design**

Christians primarily talk about gender in terms of roles, but our kids must first understand gender in the context of God’s design for males and females. This talk offers a biblically grounded view that will help parents guide their children toward a confident understanding of their gender. In addition, you’ll discover practical steps to help kids love and embrace their God-given gender.



## EDUCATION / DISCIPLESHIP

### ✓ **What is Education FOR?**

Parents spend so much time, effort and money on their kid's education. But how many Christian parents can articulate the primary purpose of education according to God's Word? How does Scripture inform and direct the educational goals we set for our kids? Is our Christian worldview front and center in our thinking about education or is a mere afterthought? This talk will show you how our Christian faith isn't just an add-on to our kids' education but instead, provides a comprehensive framework from which to educate the next generation.

### ✓ **Less is More: Discipleship of Our Kids**

Nothing is more important than the discipleship of our kids, but many parents feel inadequate for the task. So what does it require from parents? How do we best disciple our kids? In this talk you'll discover simple and practical tools to help you pass on your faith to your children.

### ✓ **Why We Decided to Homeschool Our Kids**

Many parents wrestle with the decision to homeschool their kids or keep them in public or private education. This talk lays out the powerful reasons that ultimately convinced the Kunkles to choose the path of homeschooling.

### ✓ **The Nuts and Bolts of Homeschooling**

More and more parents are choosing to homeschool their kids. But what is the Christian view of education? And what does that look like in a home? This talk will provide a biblical framework and a practical plan for life-long impact through homeschooling.

## WORLDVIEW / CULTURE

### ✓ **Sex Matters: Understanding the Differences Between Male and Female and Why it is Good**

Our culture can no longer explain the unique differences between men and women. Sadly, many Christians can do no better. This talk will help unravel the bad ideas about gender that our culture has embraced and then lays out a true and biblical picture of masculinity and femininity that honors our God-given design.

## HOLIDAYS

### ✓ **Remember Why We Celebrate Christmas**

It's easy to get caught up in the busyness of the Christmas season. Even the good things can become distractions. And when we're busy and distracted, the meaning of Christmas can fade to the background. This talk explains why we must cultivate remembering, what is that we remember during Christmas and how we can practically remember the miraculous advent of Christ.

### ✓ **Mary—Learning From Jesus' Mother As We Celebrate the Incarnation**

We can learn so much from the life of Mary. Her knowledge of, faith in and devotion to God were on full display, throughout the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus. This talk will reveal how Mary's life provides a beautiful model for Christians.

## Testimonials

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Erin's message was not only thought-provoking, it was powerful. She has the rare ability to take deep biblical truth and hit you right in the heart.

*Chawna Dill*

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I absolutely loved the way Erin was able to show how the Christian worldview applies to the normal everyday experiences of women and moms.

*Lily Bond*



## GROUPS I'VE SPOKEN FOR

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Impact 360 Institute; Colson Center; Summit Ministries; Great Homeschool Convention; Women in Apologetics (WIA); Reasons to Believe; Evangelical Philosophical Society; CRU; Orange County Rescue Mission; Arkansas Baptists; Association of Christian Schools International; Camp of the Woods; New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; SoCal Charlotte Mason Education.

## NEED A NEW TALK?

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Are you interested in having Erin cover a topic not on this list? Would you like her to create a new talk for your event? Let us know so we can discuss new possibilities!



## GET IN TOUCH

To get more information about Erin's speaking or to book a date, please contact her ministry partner Debbie Chan at [debbie@maventruth.com](mailto:debbie@maventruth.com).

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