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Keltys First Baptist Church Parenting Class
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COURSE OUTLINE

1. INSTRUCTION

Teach Them Diligently | The Aim: Obey God

- a. In The Church
- b. In The Home
- c. In The Milieu
- d. In Your Example

2. CORRECTION

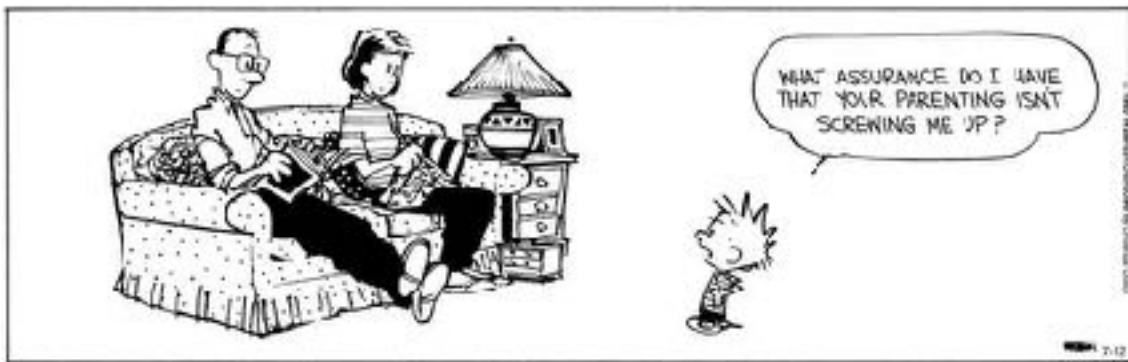
Discipline Them Lovingly | The Aim: Fear God

- a. The Heart of Discipline
- b. The Help for Discipline
- c. The "How To" for Discipline

3. CONVERSION

Evangelize Them Faithfully | The Aim: Worship God

- a. The Author of Salvation
- b. The Message of Salvation
- c. The Means of Salvation
- d. The Assurance of Salvation
- e. Our Children and Salvation
- f. Evangelizing our Children



What is the goal of parenting?



INTRODUCTORY THOUGHTS

This class is _____ for your child. This class is for _____.

One of the reasons your children are given to you by God is for your _____.

The following taken from *Successful Christian Parenting*, by John MacArthur (Word Publishing, 1998, emphasis added)

- Do you thirst for God as the deer pants after the water? [Psalm 42 & 63] Or is your own life sending your children a message of _____ and spiritual indifference?
- Is your own commitment to Christ what you hope to see in your children's lives?
- Is your obedience to His Word the _____ kind of submission you long to see from your own kids?
- For many parents, the first step toward getting back on track must be a fresh commitment to the things of God for _____.

The following adapted from *Dangerous Calling*, by Paul Tripp (Crossway Books, 2012, emphasis added)

- There are few things that will reveal to you the full range of your _____, immaturity, weakness, and failure like **PARENTING** will.
- There are few things that will expose your weaknesses to _____ as consistently as **PARENTING** does.
- There are few endeavors that will put you under public expectancy and scrutiny like **PARENTING** does.
- There are few things that are as personally _____ as **PARENTING** is.
- There are few endeavors that have the power to produce in you such deep feelings of inadequacy as **PARENTING** does.
- There are few things that can be such a vat of self-_____ as **PARENTING** is.
- In your **PARENTING** there is a great temptation to be sidetracked and harmed by your fear of _____.

Thoughts on Parenting from Pastor Todd Murray, Grace Immanuel Bible Church

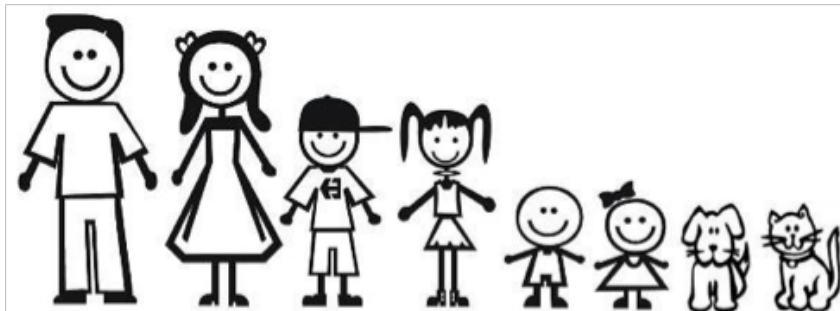
- Parenting was not designed by God to reinforce the things about you that you think are _____. But to point out to you the truth about what your own _____ is really like
- What _____ could God use to make me more like Christ, than my own children who will put their hand in mind and forgive me and smile at me and love me and to be a blessing.
- What's your favorite thing to do? Be a dad? Be a mom? Would people know that by visiting your home for a day or two? Or would they think that your children are a constant interruption or an inconvenience?
- I can choose to say, "My children are _____ what I want to do." OR "I have decided that my children _____ what I want to do." Can you think of anything _____ to do with the rest of your life and energy?
- They're not _____ my life. And they're _____ my life.
- Why am I so incensed and shocked by their sin? I've met their _____!

DISCLAIMERS:



HOMEWORK (You will not benefit from this class if you simply show up each week):

1. _____
2. Relax: Your _____ & your _____. (Ephesians 6:4; James 1:19-20).
3. _____
4. Read:
 - A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____







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INTRODUCTION:

- Deuteronomy 6
- Moses says (in effect) there will come a day when your children will finally ask you:

4 areas in which we'll consider teaching our children diligently...

1. In the _____
2. In the _____
3. In the _____
4. In your _____

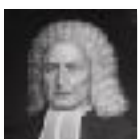
Church History



- **Thomas Manton** "...a family is the _____ of church and state and children be not well principled there, all miscarries."



- **Richard Baxter** "...keep up the government of God in your families: holy families must be the chief preservers of the interest of religion in the world."



- **Samuel Davies** "The Necessity and Excellency of Family Religion" – "The first and radical society is that of a family, which is the _____ of the church and state."

- 1679 Synod of New England answered the following question:

What are the evils that have provoked the Lord to bring judgments upon New England?

Fourteen reasons were given. Reason #6 was this: *"There are many _____ that do not pray to God constantly, morning and evening, and many more where the Scriptures are not daily read so that the Word of Christ might dwell richly in them. There are too many _____ that are full of ignorance and profaneness and that are not duly examined and for this cause wrath may come upon others round about them as well as upon themselves. Many householders who profess religion, do not cause all that are within their gates to become subject unto good order as they ought...Most of the evils that abound among us proceed from defects in _____ government."*

- *Because we have been saved by Christ, and we proclaim to be His children we promise to maintain and uphold family worship when possible. We will take the discipleship and salvation of our children and kindred seriously, knowing that the _____ are the primary disciplers for children and youth.*

Source: _____

Biblical History

- "In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it." " (**Genesis 4:3-7**, ESV)
- "Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar." (**Genesis 8:20**, ESV)
- "Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him." (**Genesis 12:7**, ESV)
- ("From there he went up to Beersheba. And the Lord appeared to him the same night and said, "I am the God of Abraham your father. Fear not, for I am with you and will bless you and multiply your offspring for my servant Abraham's sake." So he built an altar there and called upon the name of the Lord and pitched his tent there. And there Isaac's servants dug a well." (**Genesis 26:24-25**, ESV)
- "And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." " (**Joshua 24:15**, ESV)
- "And when the days of the feast had run their course, Job would send and consecrate them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, "It may be that my children have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did continually. " (**Job 1:5**, ESV)
- "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate. A Song of Ascents. " (**Psalms 127:3-5**, ESV)

OUR GOAL: _____ them right and _____ them straight!

Our children weren't given to us to _____ forever.

And then, of course, there's Deuteronomy 6.

Remember we said **Our Aim is to Obey God**, and here's where we find that:

- 1 "Now this is the commandment, the statutes and the rules that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, _____ in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, 2 _____, you and your son and your son's son, _____ all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. 3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and _____, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

(Deuteronomy 6:1-3, ESV)

And here is how to hit what we're aiming for:

- "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall _____ to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." **(Deuteronomy 6:4-9, ESV)**

The phrase "teach diligently" contains the ideas of _____, _____ or _____, or even to sharpen or whet (as you would a _____).

"Be careful and exact in teaching thy children; and aim, as by whetting, to sharpen them, and put an _____ upon them."

- Matthew Henry

DISCUSSION: What worldly influences have been "sharpening" our children?

"It is _____ not to teach children about God, because not to teach them is to teach them plenty. It teaches them that Jesus does not matter much, that Mom and Dad don't consider him nearly as important or exciting as new furniture, or weekends at the lake, or Dad's job or all the other things that fill their conversation. _____ about Christ is dogma. Not to teach the infinite value of Christ is to teach that he is negligible."

- John Piper

Now, here are 4 areas in which we'll consider teaching/instructing/sharpening our children diligently:

1. INSTRUCTION IN THE HOME OR "_____ "

- a. "The joint worship rendered to God by _____ the members of one _____."
- ~James Alexander
- b. Family worship is the occasion in which the members of a given family gather _____ in order to participate in special acts of worship, such as the singing of praise, the reading and hearing of Scripture, and the offering of prayer to God.
- ~Bob Gonzales



c. How Do We Do It?

d. When Do We Do It?

e. What Do We Do?

i. _____

A) Read _____

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the _____, _____, which are able to make you wise for _____ through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for _____, for _____, for _____, and for _____ in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:14-17)

B) Illustrated Bible Story Books

C) Books with _____ stories/lessons

ii. Sing

A) Sing _____ songs

- B) Keep a _____ handy
- C) Teach the old hymns - _____ (Try to _____ them)
- D) Write songs for Scripture _____
- E) Do you play an _____?

iii. Pray

- A) Church _____ list
- B) Pastors & Teachers
- C) _____
- D) One _____
- E) _____

iv. Other Ideas

- A) Catechisms
 - 1) New City Catechism
www.newcitycatechism.com
 - 2) Westminster Shorter Catechism Project
www.shortercatechism.com
 - 3) Westminster Larger
www.ccel.org/creeds/westminster-larger-cat.html
 - 4) Charles H. Spurgeon
www.spurgeon.org/catechis.htm
 - 5) Other Baptist Catechisms
www.reformedreader.org/cc/bcat.htm
- B) Missionary _____
 - 1) Those _____ by your church
 - 2) Those celebrated in church _____
- C) _____ Lessons
- D) *Young Peacemakers*, Corlette Sande

E) Read through a _____ book

F) Listen to a _____ reading or interactive products

G) Suggested Resources:

H) Let _____ kids prepare & _____

*Let family worship be short, savory, _____,
plain, tender, _____.*
– Richard Cecil

2. INSTRUCTION IN THE _____ OR " _____ Worship"

e. Teaching



f.

i. _____ do they begin?

ii. _____ do they do?

1. They do what all _____ do

2. _____ the Sermon

c. Serving:

3. INSTRUCTION IN THE _____

a. Definition

i. Literally, "_____"

ii. French meaning "environment, setting or _____"

b. Explanation

i. Jay Adams mentions "two major benefits..."

1. People learn better, faster, more _____.

2. People are able to put what they learn into practice _____
because they are learning _____."

ii. The world says _____ & _____. The Bible says _____ & _____!

iii. They say that more can be _____ than _____

iv. This is the outworking of _____

"...and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise..."

c. Examples:

i. _____ Time is Teaching Time

ii. _____ :

iii. _____, Movies, TV shows – discuss _____/ _____ themes

iv. _____ at school, with friends, with siblings

v. _____ Events

vi. _____ Times

1. _____ with daughters

2. _____ with sons

3. You must _____ these!

*We can't always control our child's _____
but we can shape the _____ through which it's viewed.*

4. INSTRUCTION IN YOUR _____

The righteous who walks in his integrity— _____ are his children after him!

Proverbs 20:7

My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my _____.

Proverbs 23:26

(Context: _____)

- a. Jesus' harshest words were reserved for the _____.
Consider Matthew 23 where Jesus pronounces seven " _____ " or " _____ " on the scribes and Pharisees.
 - i. They preach but do not _____
 - ii. They create burdens but do not _____ them
 - iii. They do their deeds to be _____ by others.
- b. You cannot mandate one standard, and _____ another. While we cannot be sinless, we can be _____. And while being a sinner doesn't *disqualify* us from being a parent, being a hypocrite will _____ us from being an example.
- c. "Instruction, and advice, and commands will _____ little, unless they are backed up by the _____ of your own life. Your children will never believe you are in earnest, and really wish them to obey you, so long as your actions _____ your counsel." – J. C. Ryle, Duties of Parents
- d. "He who sins before a child sins _____." - Ancient proverb
- e. " _____ is the first principle of parenting. When parents practice what they teach, God gives them moral _____ in their children's eyes."
- William P. Farley, Gospel-Powered Parenting
- f. We should be most inclined not to say "Go, and _____,"
but rather "Come, do as I do."
- g. Luke 6:40, "A _____ is not above his _____, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher."

h. _____ what you expect from them

i. Remember the _____ principle. (Matthew 7:1-5)

“You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.”

j. Remember to _____ yourself (Galatians 6:1-2)

“Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.”

*“To give children good instruction, and a bad example, is but beckoning to them
with the _____ to show them the way to heaven,
while we take them by the _____ and lead them in the way to _____. ”
– Archbishop Tillotson, quoted by J.C. Ryle – The Duties of Parents*

CONCLUSION:

*And the Lord commanded us **to do** all these statutes, **to fear** the Lord our God, **for our good** always, that he might **preserve us** alive, as we are this day. **And it will be righteousness for us**, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the Lord our God, as he has commanded us.'*

Deuteronomy 6:24-25

1. The Aim – “_____” OR _____ God
2. As well as – “_____” God
3. This is for our good _____
4. This is to “preserve us” – from what? From the _____ – from the _____
5. Remember the question: WHY ARE WE _____?
6. How will it “be righteousness for us?”
 - A. Their righteousness was being _____ by their obedience.
 - B. Obedience was a _____, _____, or a _____ of their relationship with Yahweh.
7. Is yours a life of obedience that reflects a relationship with the God of the universe?



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TOP 10 SIGNS YOU MAY **NOT** BE DISCIPLINING YOUR CHILD BIBLICALLY

1. You do more _____ than discipline.
2. You _____ to three or use their middle name.
3. Your standards are _____
4. You view discipline as _____ rather than correction.
5. You discipline because you've been _____ not because God has been _____
6. You are more concerned with _____ compliance rather than inward change.
7. You don't comfort, love and _____ with your child after their discipline.
8. Your child is _____ after the discipline is over.
9. You discipline your child in _____
10. You don't use a _____ and/or the _____ when you discipline.



The AIM of discipline is _____

- The fear of God is a _____ dread and reverent _____ that attracts the eye of God, finds the friendship of God, hates evil, leads to life, wisdom, knowledge, worship and obedience. (Psalm 19:9; 25:14; 33:8, 18; 111:10; Proverbs 1:7; 8:13; 9:10; 16:6; 23:17)
- **Proverbs 14:27** The fear of the LORD is a _____, that one may _____ from the snares of death.

The MOTIVE of discipline is _____.

- One of the most important things we can teach our children is that we are a people under _____. (Tedd Tripp, *Shepherding a Child's Heart*, Shepherd Press)
- The motive for all our discipline is to bring our children into a subordinate, submissive relationship to the _____ of God Himself.

(Bruce Ray, *Withhold Not Correction*, P&R Publishing)

- **Proverbs 12:1** Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid.

We'll consider 3 aspects of discipline:

1. THE HEART OF DISCIPLINE
2. THE HELP FOR DISCIPLINE
3. THE "HOW - TO" OF DISCIPLINE

1. THE HEART OF DISCIPLINE

A. The Scriptures are clear about the centrality of the heart.

- 1) Greek term: KARDIA
- 2) The heart is the center of the inner life of man and the source (or seat) of all the forces and functions of soul and spirit:
 - a) In the heart dwell feelings and emotions, desires and passions.
 - b) The heart is the seat of understanding, the source of thought, reflection and resolve.
 - c) Thus the heart is supremely the one center in man to which God turns, in which the religious life is rooted, which determines moral conduct. (Taken from *Theological Dictionary of the New Testament*)
- 3) Biblical Examples:
 - a) "Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life." (**Proverbs 4:23**)
 - b) "But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."" (**1 Samuel 16:7**)
 - c) "For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery." (**Mark 7:21; cf. Matthew 12:34**)
 - d) "The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks." (**Luke 6:45**)
 - e) "As in water face reflects face, so the heart of man reflects the man." (**Proverbs 27:19**)

The heart _____ (2 Corinthians 9:7)

The heart " _____ evil" (Matthew 9:4)

The heart purposes (1 Corinthians 4:5)

The heart ponders (Luke 2:19)

The heart contrives _____ (Acts 5:4)

The heart is _____ & selfish (James 3:14)

" _____ is bound up in the heart of a child, but the _____ of discipline drives it far from him." (Proverbs 22:15)

B. The Scriptures are just as clear as to the _____ of the human heart. The problem isn't just what the heart _____, it's what it _____.

1) Biblical Examples

a) "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?" (Jeremiah 17:9)

b) "What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your _____ are at war within you?" (James 4:1)

c) "The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his _____ was _____ evil continually." (Genesis 6:5)

2) **Keltys FBC Doctrinal Statement on Depravity**

Although man was created in the image of God (Genesis 1:26; 2:17) he fell through sin and that image was **marred** (Romans 5:12; James 3:9). In his unregenerate state, he is void of spiritual life, is under the influence of the devil, and lacks any power to save himself (Ephesians 2:1-3; John 1:13). The sin nature has been transmitted to every member of the human race, the man Jesus Christ alone being excepted (Romans 3:23; 1 Peter 2:22). Because of the sin nature, man possesses no divine life and is essentially and unchangeably **depraved** apart from divine grace (Romans 3:10-19; Jeremiah 17:9).

3) Illustrations

a) This doesn't mean that a person is as _____ as he can be (humanitarian efforts disprove this), but that everything a man does is in some way _____ by sin. Even a man's purest motives are in some way – though some more than others – tainted by sin. Even a man's purest motives are in some way – though some more than others – tainted by sin.

*"A change in behavior that does not stem from a change in the heart
is not commendable; it is _____."*

*Tedd Tripp, **Shepherding A Child's Heart***

b) Illustration: Addison Leitch: "If sin were the color blue _____
_____."

c) "If we don't consider our child to be a sinner, there's no reason to correct him." **Bruce Ray, *Withhold Not Correction***

The seed of every sin known to man is in my _____. ~ Robert Murray McChesney

C. And Scripture, of course, is clear as to the _____ for the sinful human heart.

- 1) "_____ in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."
(Psalm 51:10)
- 2) "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." (Psalm 51:17)
- 3) "But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you _____ with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and _____ in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved." (Romans 10:8-10)
- 4) "so that Christ may _____ in your hearts through _____ —that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.,"
(Ephesians 3:17-19)

Knowing now the centrality of the heart, the condition of the heart, and the cure for the heart; we understand why Tedd Tripp says this:

Christ didn't sacrifice His life on the cross because people need a *superficial behavioral change*, he died because people need a _____ !

"And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh."

(Ezekiel 36:26; cf. 11:19; 18:31)

When we attempt to raise our children, correcting only their outward behavior without addressing the sins and idolatries of the heart, we are only raising good, little, legalistic Pharisees who will one day – aside from the grace of God – be condemned to Hell for an _____ religion that affected no change to their hearts.

This, I'm afraid, is the typical method of child-raising,
and the cause of most teenage rebellion –
that is, _____ without REASONS
or DISCIPLINE without _____.

So, the HEART of the matter is the HEART!
We want to go *beyond behavior to the heart*.



"The heart is the causal _____ of your personhood."

Paul Tripp

4. THE HELP FOR DISCIPLINE

There are two _____ by which we address heart issues in children. Think of them as two sides of the same coin. They are equally important:

A. **The** _____ **and** _____

Or: _____ Discipline and _____ Discipline

"The _____ and _____ give wisdom, but a child left to himself brings shame to his mother... Discipline your son and he will give you rest; he will give delight to your heart." **Proverbs 29:15,17**

- 1) Notice the weaving of physical discipline with the heart issues in Proverbs 23:13-26.
- 2) As we begin the never-ending task of shepherding our child's heart, we must travel both directions. We must use both methods. The rod was never intended to be used without reproof.
- 3) **Illustration:** Andy Griffith, "Opie and the Spoiled Kid," Episode 21, Season 3

4) What we've seen in the last 50 years or so is a total _____ from one unbiblical extreme to another. Years ago, fathers jerked their children up by the scruff of the neck, carried them behind the "woodshed" and "wore them out." No _____, all pain. Today, we see just the opposite. All talk, no pain. Parents talk themselves blue in the face without imposing any physical, painful discipline on their children.



Both _____ are to be avoided.

5) Punishment vs. Discipline

The biblical concept of the rod is not the parent exacting _____ for the child's wrong. It is not payment due. Many parents have a punitive mindset. They see the discipline as the child paying for his sins. Rather than correction having the positive goal of _____ it has the negative goal of _____.

(Shepherding a Child's Heart, Tedd Tripp, p. 107-108)

God punishes the wicked and there is no room for repentance. But God chastens His children. While punishment and discipline may at times take the same _____, yet the purpose is vitally different. There is grief, pain and sorrow both in punishment and in discipline. The difference is that in punishment there is no _____, but in chastening the whole purpose is _____.

(Withhold Not Correction, Bruce A. Ray, p. 74)

B. The Rod

1) Definition

The rod is a _____, in faith toward God and faithfulness toward his or her children, undertaking the responsibility of careful, timely, measured and controlled use of _____ punishment to underscore the importance of obeying God, thus rescuing the child from continuing in his _____ until death.

(Shepherding A Child's Heart, Tedd Tripp, p. 108)

2) The Rod _____ Sin

- a. **Proverbs 22:15**, "_____ is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline drives it from him."
- b. **Proverbs 19:18a**, "Discipline your son while there is hope; do not set your heart on his _____."

Far better that the child should cry under healthful correction, than that parents should afterward _____ under the bitter fruit to themselves and children, of neglected discipline.

Charles Bridges

- c. **Proverbs 23:13-14**, "Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you strike him with a rod, he will not die. If you strike him with the rod, you will _____ his soul from Sheol."

"God says that one's child will not only survive discipline, he will survive _____ of it."

Brian Schwertley

- d. Our children need _____ than direction, but also correction (and protection).
Why? _____

- e. They aren't neutral. In fact, they're going in _____!
- i. **Psalm 58:3** "The wicked are estranged from the womb; they _____ from birth, speaking lies."
- ii. **Isaiah 53:6** "All we like sheep have _____; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all."
- f. **Illustration:** Let's compare your child disobeying to him/her falling from the monkey bars.

Think of the rod as _____ them in their fall (correction). Reproof would then be giving them the direction needed to be safer next time.

3) The Rod Proves _____ & Love

- a. When we couple this with passages in Hebrews & Revelation, we get a well rounded picture of the place and purpose of physical discipline:
- i. **Hebrews 12:5-11** (Mark the references to "discipline" in your Bible)
- ii. **Revelation 3:19** "Those whom I _____, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent."

For our children to be without this sanctifying influence of the rod is for them to be as unclaimed and unloved illegitimate _____. Parents who seek to show their affection by setting _____ restrictions upon their children are in reality treating them...as illegitimate and unwanted.

(Withhold Not Correction, Bruce A. Ray, pp. 72-73)

“The rod is _____, not food; the remedy for the occasional diseases of the constitution, not the daily regimen for life and nourishment. To convert medicine into daily food gradually destroys its remedial quality.” ~ Charles Bridges

- b. We use the rod with our children – we discipline and correct them – BECAUSE WE LOVE THEM!
- c. Tell them this often!
- d. CAUTION: Do not spare the rod. But be _____ of it's occasions.

B. The Reproof

- 1) This is biblical correction and instruction – using the _____ to address each act of disobedience. Using the Scriptures to address the HEART ISSUE behind each act of disobedience.
- 2) A good teacher will help you find the right _____ on your test when you get it wrong. A policeman lets you know what you did wrong & _____ rather than just writing you a ticket for breaking the law.
- 3) So to, parents need to instruct their children as to the hows, whys & whens of their disobedience & what is expected of them _____.
- 4) Biblical Examples:

a. **Ephesians 6:1-3**

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is _____. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”

b. **Colossians 3:20**

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this _____ the Lord.

c. _____ **12:22**

Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who act faithfully are his delight.

5) This requires that you _____ !



Remember:

James 1:19-20 "Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the _____ of man does not produce the righteousness of God."

Colossians 3:21 (cf. Ephesians 6:4) "Fathers, do not _____ your children, lest they become _____."

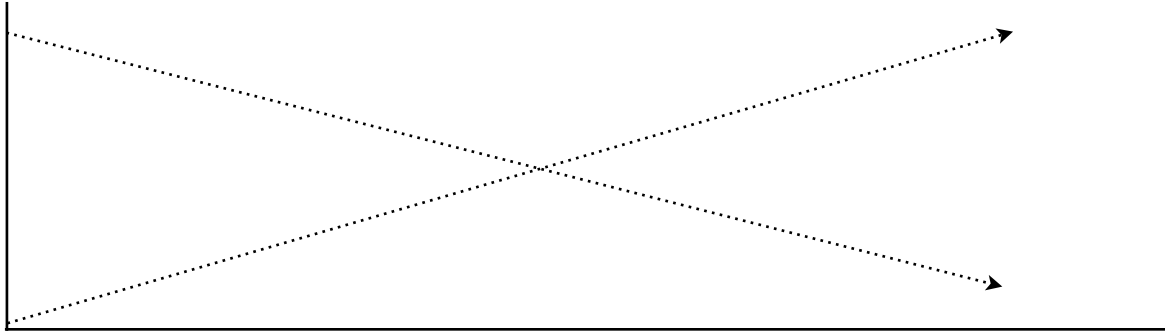
The goal of a good father is to rear children who are not discouraged. The word implies losing heart, being listless, _____, disinterested, moody, _____, with a kind of blank resignation toward life.

1. The opposite of being discouraged is being _____,
2. The opposite of being discouraged is being _____,
3. The opposite of being discouraged is being _____, and courageous.

John Piper, Sermon on Colossians 3:21. <http://www.desiringgod.org/resource-library/sermons/fathers-who-give-hope>

C. The Relationship Between the Rod and Reproof

As our children mature, we will see less of a need for the rod, and more of an ability to bring about obedience through reproof. As one _____, the other _____.



(Chart adapted from Lou Priolo, *Teach Them Diligently*, p. 96)

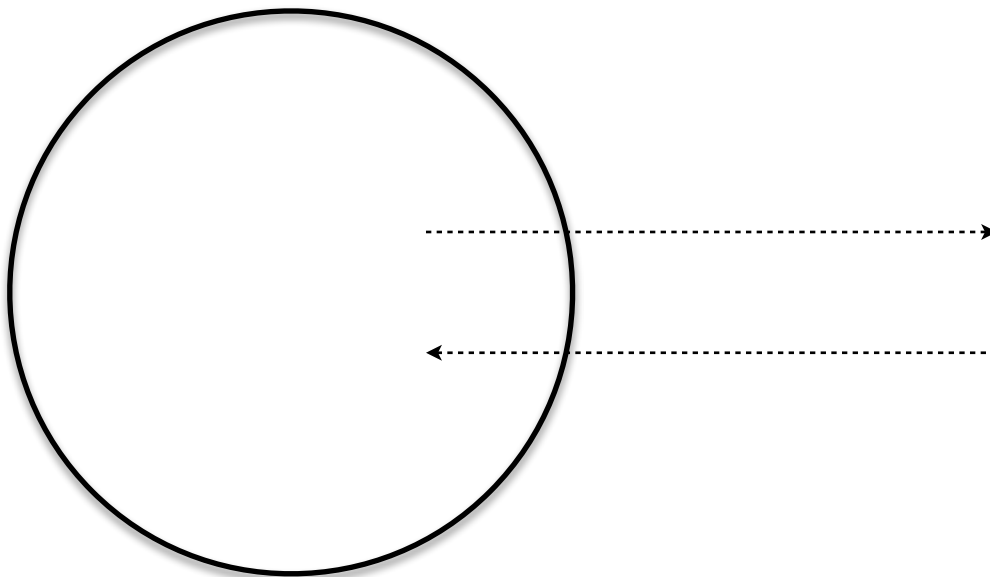
D. The _____ for the Rod and Reproof

A. Sin leads to _____.

B. Ephesians 6:1-3

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

C. Tedd Tripp's "Circle of _____"



3. The "How To" for Discipline

This is merely a practical _____. We should attempt to keep all of these things in mind, but know that you won't always be able to.

- A. Define the _____. They shouldn't be disciplined for doing something they weren't aware is sinful/against the rules.
- B. Give _____ for the Rules (when _____)
- C. Use _____ Language
 - 1) Spanking or applying the rod *rather than* "_____ you out" or "_____ you up", etc.
 - 2) Discipline *rather than* _____
 - 3) _____ or honor *rather than* minding or behaving (obedience isn't just for dogs)
- D. Get Your _____ Straight
 - 1) Did you _____ the offense?
 - 2) Have the child wait in their room while you _____.
 - 3) Talk with your spouse in _____ before making decisions.
 - 4) DO NOT let your children see you & your spouse _____.
 - 5) DO NOT _____ your spouse in front of your children (again, talk in private if there's a misunderstanding)
- E. Get the _____ of Your Own Eye

Luke 6:41-42 (cf. Matt 7:4-5)

Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

- 1) These are means for your _____ sanctification!
- 2) This doesn't mean that the child is allowed to get away without discipline, it just means that often _____ (other than the child) needs to repent too!

F. Discipline after the _____ offense.



- 1) This sets the standard and avoids giving them a _____
- 2) This avoids unnecessary _____.
- 3) This prevents you from growing _____.
- 4) It reinforces the concept that you are disciplining because they've disobeyed _____ rather than _____ mom or dad.
- 5) Don't count! Don't use middle names! Don't threaten!

*When you speak for the _____ time,
you've spoken for the _____ time.*

~ Tedd Tripp

G. Discipline _____

- 1) This will _____ you severely – be prepared.
- 2) This will make you _____ for church. And school. And appointments.

H. Keep _____ and carry on. What verses on anger have we discussed?

I. Sometimes, you can show _____ – but be sure to let them know why.

- 1) _____ has been merciful to you
- 2) There's no greater _____ lesson to teach God's mercy & salvation!

J. Find a _____ place.

- 1) As they get older, you can wait until you get home (unless it's clear defiance.)
- 2) If younger, do the best you can.

- K. State the sin, why is it a sin (using Scripture), and what *should* have been the right thing to do
- 1) See B. Reproof 4. (Page 32)
 - 2) This is the " _____ " and " _____ " principle in Colossians 3 & Ephesians 4
- L. Point them to the cross! Share the gospel with them. Show them the sinfulness of their heart and God's only solution!
- M. Let them know the extent of their discipline
- 1) How _____ "swats" they will receive (usually equal to child's age...some sins might require more – i.e., lying)
 - 2) _____ of grounding, removal of privileges
- N. _____
- _____ (The goal is not to humiliate)
- O. _____ them & tell them you love them. Heap on the love!
- 1) Won't this confuse discipline with love?
 - 2) Remember Hebrews 12!
 - 3) "God has never afflicted us and then _____ us." *Bruce A. Ray*
- P. Restate the sin, have them _____ and ask for God's forgiveness, then ask forgiveness from whomever they've offended. (Try saying, "forgive me", rather than " _____ ")
- Q. _____ with them and stay with them until they're settled down.
- 1) Pray asking God's forgiveness
 - 2) You can pray for them
- R. When it's _____, it's over. Do not bring it up again (unless you're establishing a pattern in their life, i.e., lying, anger, etc.)
- S. You should both be able to walk out of the room _____.
- T. _____ as necessary. 😊

Please read handouts:

- *The Forgotten Part of Discipline*, by Rob Flood
- *Training Children for Their Good*, by Andy Naselli Visit: www.tinyurl.com/trainingchildren



::INSTRUCTION | *Teach Them Diligently* | The Aim: Fear God ::

:: CORRECTION | *Discipline Them Lovingly* | The Aim: Obey God ::

:: CONVERSION | *Evangelize Them Faithfully* | The Aim: Worship God ::

"One of the worst things parents can do is be intimidated into thinking someone else would make a _____ evangelist for their child, thus abdicating their most crucial responsibility, missing the best opportunities for reaching their children, and forfeiting the best blessings of parenthood."

John MacArthur, Successful Christian Parenting, pp. 47-48

Opening Disclaimers:

1. God _____ children.

"Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." **(Mark 10:15)**

2. We must _____ with our children to be saved.

"Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We _____ you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." **(2 Corinthians 5:20)**

3. The _____ is the power of salvation.

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." **(Romans 1:16)**

4. We'd better get it _____!

"We or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be _____." **(Galatians 1:8)**

5. Consider how often the _____ speaks of passing on our faith to our children.

6. Consider what our _____ thought of children. "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them" (**Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15-17**)
 - A) _____ in **Acts 16:15**
 - B) The Philippian _____ in **Acts 16:25-34**
 - C) Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue in **Acts 18:8**
 - D) _____ was at least "acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation" **1 Timothy 3:15**
7. Consider the accounts of childhood _____ in the New Testament.
8. _____ or _____ that our children are saved is a more difficult task.

CONVERSION | *Evangelize Them Faithfully*

1. The _____ of Salvation
2. The _____ of Salvation
3. The _____ of Salvation
4. The _____ of Salvation
5. Your _____ and Salvation
6. _____ your Children

1. The Author of Salvation

A. Salvation _____ to the Lord

- 1) **Psalm 3:8** Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!
- 2) **Psalm 20:5** May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the LORD fulfill all your petitions!
- 3) **Psalm 21:1; 35:9; 37:39; 40:16** But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love _____ salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!"
- 4) **Psalm 85:7** Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us _____ salvation.
- 5) **Psalm 119:41, 166, 174**
- 6) *"It is v who makes Christians, not parents."* ~ **Jim Elliff**

B. Salvation is _____ by the Lord

1) **Deuteronomy 7:6-7**

"For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples,

2) **John 15:16**

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

3) See also **John 10:27-30; Romans 9:15-16; 10:20; Ephesians 1:3-6; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14**

2. The Message of Salvation

A. The _____ of God

1) **Leviticus 11:44-45**

For I am the Lord your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy.

You shall not defile yourselves with any swarming thing that crawls on the ground. For I am the Lord who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy." (Cf. **Lev. 19:2; 20:7; 20:26; 21:8; 22:2**)

2) His _____ is holy – **Leviticus 20:3; 22:32**

3) Consider Isaiah's _____ in **Isaiah 6**

God's holiness is His essence. Divine holiness is understood to be the _____ of God rather than a _____ of God. Indeed, holiness is the name of God. For this reason, holiness is not superior to any of God's attributes. It is the eternal and glorious strength or meaning of all of them. God is righteous because His essence is holiness. He is high and lofty because of His holiness."

~ **John D. Wilsey**

B. The _____ of Man

1) **Genesis 3** – _____ of man

2) **Genesis 6:5**

The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

3) **Jeremiah 17:9**

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?

4) **Psalm 51:5**

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

5) **Psalm 58:3**

The wicked are estranged from the womb; they go astray from birth, speaking lies.

6) **1 Corinthians 2:14**

The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

7) See also: **Romans 3:10-23; 8:7-8; Ephesians 2:1-3** (children of wrath); **4:17-19**

C. The Incompatibility of the _____

1) **Romans 1:18**

For the _____ of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

2) **Romans 6:23**

For the wages of sin is _____, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

"If God is holy at all, if God has an ounce of justice in His character, indeed if God exists as God, how could He possibly be anything but _____ with us? We violate his holiness; we insult His justice; we make light of His grace. These things can hardly be pleasing to Him."

- **R.C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God***

In John MacArthur's book, he suggests several futile solutions – behaviorism being one, along with isolation and self esteem. He then suggests the answer:

There's only one remedy for the child's inborn depravity:

The _____ – regeneration.... (John 3:6-7)

Your children have no power to free themselves from sin's bondage. They lack the Holy Spirit. They have no capacity to please God or to obey Him from the heart. Having been born of flesh, they are carnal. And "the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God" (Romans 8:7-8).

Successful Christian Parenting, pg. 42

3. The Means of Salvation

A. The _____ of Christ

A. **Romans 5:6-10**

For **while we were** _____, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that **while we were** _____, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be **saved by him from the wrath of God**. For if **while we were** _____ we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. **(emphasis added)**

B. **Romans 3:21ff**

C. **2 Corinthians 5:21**

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

D. **1 Corinthians 15:3-4**

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ _____ for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was _____, that he was _____ on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures...”

B. Our _____ to Christ

A. Repent – _____

B. **Matthew 4:17**

1) **Metanoia** – meta = _____, noeo = _____

2) “_____” or “change of mind”

3) Always _____ by a change of purpose & turning from sin

4) If a child (anyone) doesn't _____ their sin, they do not _____ Christ!

C. Faith - _____

1) _____

2) **John 3:18**

Whoever _____ in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

3) **Ephesians 2:8-9**

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

4) **James 2:19 (more than mental assent)**

You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder!

5) **Psalms 78**...trusting in God!

D. A Word about the _____ of Christ

1) We do not _____ Christ Lord.

Why not? _____

2) We _____ to Christ as Lord – either bow now, or bow later

Philippians 2:10-11

so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that **Jesus Christ is Lord**, to the glory of God the Father.

3) **Luke 2:11**

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is **Christ the Lord**.

4) **Acts 16:31**

And they said, "Believe in the **Lord Jesus**, and you will be saved, you and your household."

5) **Romans 10:9**

because, if you confess with your mouth that **Jesus is Lord** and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

6) **2 Corinthians 4:5**

For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but **Jesus Christ as Lord**, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

4. The Assurance of Salvation

FOUR QUESTIONS:

QUESTION 1: What is more dangerous – perhaps even *damning*:

Encouraging someone who is saved to _____ their faith carefully, OR

Assuring someone that they _____ saved, when really they are _____?

QUESTION 2: Which does the _____ support?

A. **2 Corinthians 13:5**

_____ yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? --unless indeed you fail to meet the test! (cf. 1 Cor 11:38 – examination before Lord's table)

B. **1 John 5:13** I write these things _____ in the name of the Son of God _____ that you have eternal life.

QUESTION 3: Do you want your child to grow up with a _____, biblical self-examination always before him, or do you want them to grow up with a _____ assurance that their soul is right with God because of a one-time event that occurred as a child (decision, praying a prayer at VBS, baptism, etc.) and then stand before their Creator and hear the words "Depart from me I never knew you"?

(Note: We're not saying that praying prayers, baptism, etc. are bad things; just not the main things.)

There are so many stony ground hearers, who receive the Word with joy that I have determined to suspend my judgment till I know the tree by its fruits. I cannot believe they are converts until I see fruit brought back; it will never do a sincere soul any harm.

George Whitefield, 1700's evangelist

A. Consider these words from a father and pastor...

Why would I encourage _____ about your faith? The reason is perhaps too obvious to say: _____ **is the eager companion of the easily convinced.**

Those who are too easily assured, who will not trouble with investigation, are likely to discover too late that they own a cheap imitation of the real. They may be like the man in Jesus' parable of the wedding feast who was cast out because he did not have the proper wedding clothes (see Matthew 22:1-4). **Jim Elliff, Wasted Faith, pg. 7**

- B. The issue here is not _____ – we have nothing to do with that. We believe in the Bible's teaching of security – that believers are secure in Christ to the end – even more accurately that believers will persevere to the end – this puts a bit more responsibility on the believer to _____ good works. (Cf. Ephesians 2:8-10; James 2) We aren't talking about security because we can't mess that up! We cannot UN-save our children!
- C. The issue here is _____ – we CAN and often do mess this up. We CAN give our children false assurance when they are not truly regenerate. This, beloved, is a _____ mistake.
- D. Scripture _____ says that anyone is to give any new believer "assurance".
1. The pattern in the Bible is that **God** gives the assurance, through the witness of the Holy **Spirit (Romans 8:12-16; Ephesians 1:13-14** - sealed by Spirit) through the Holy _____, and through the evidence a holy _____ (James 2).
 2. Salvation is not _____ good works but salvation is _____ good works. Or put another way, our works do not _____ our salvation, works _____ our salvation.
 - a. **Ephesians 2:8-10** For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, _____, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus _____, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.
 - b. **Titus 3:8** The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to _____ themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people.
 - c. **2 Corinthians 5:17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a _____ creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
 - d. **John 15:16**
You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and _____ and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you

"Are you remembering that there is a deceiver who hates your children, as he does the whole human race, and who schemes to take advantage of them as easy prey at this point of weakness? Satan would love to trick your little one into a false confidence in his salvation and set assumptions in his heart about himself which he may never shed. Once a false confidence takes root in a soul, how easily it remains until old age."

Your Child's Profession of Faith, Dennis Gundersen

3. We have no biblical grounds for giving anyone – adults or children – assurance of salvation until there is change wrought in the life. And for children (even for adults), this will take some _____.

E. "But wait!", you might say, "Isn't doubting one's salvation a tool of the _____? Shouldn't we discourage doubting? Doesn't Satan put doubts and questions about one's salvation in the mind? Certainly, God wouldn't do that, would He?!"

QUESTION 4: Which might the Devil want more – a _____ believer who has doubts about his faith, or a _____ unbeliever who has none?

A. Think about it – the true believer will only seek God all the more earnestly in his _____, the unbeliever will do nothing – and die in his _____.

B. What about Romans 10:9? "_____ you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, [_____] you will be saved."

C. This is a conditional _____/_____ statement

D. **Protasis:** _____

E. **Apodasis:** _____

F. How do we really know that someone "believes" in their heart? We can't for certain – but can have some idea as we _____.

G. Helpful Illustration:

H. Consider also **Matthew 13:1-23**. The parable of the _____.

1) How many types of soil? _____

2) How many were good soils? How many were bad? _____

3) What do the soils represent? _____

4) How many soils/hearts proved fruitful? _____

I. And what about the pattern of immediate _____ in Acts?

- 1) Simon the Magician & the Ethiopian Eunuch – **Acts 8**
- 2) Lydia – **Acts 16:11-5**
- 3) Philippian jailer – **Acts 16:25-34**
- 4) Crispus the ruler of the synagogue - **Acts 18:8**
- 5) Consider the context in Acts:
- 6) Consider the context in the Gospel narratives: How does John the Baptist respond those who come to him? "Bear _____ in keeping with repentance." (**Matthew 3:8**)
- 7) Which context best fits ours here in the Bible belt?

5. Your Child and Salvation

A. Is the child able to comprehend and _____?

- 1) **1 Corinthians 13:11**

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

- 2) **1 Corinthians 14:20**

Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

- 3) **Ephesians 4:14**

so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

B. Is the child able to "_____ the costs"?

- 1) **Matthew 19:21-22**

- 2) **Luke 14:25-33**

C. Is the child able to be converted?

- 1) _____!!

- 2) **Matthew 18:2-4; (see also Matthew 19:14)**

And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

- 3) We just can't always be certain _____.

6. Evangelizing your Children

- A. Utilize the principles & practices from the previous lessons.
- B. _____ the gospel to your children at all times. Use every opportunity!
- C. When they do express a desire to repent and trust Christ – encourage it, rejoice in it, _____ their decision but don't _____ their salvation. Explain to them the process of examination.

"Keep before the child the whole range of biblical duties; let the power of commandment do its work and pray that it drives him to Christ. When he sins, encourage him to go find refuge in the forgiveness of Christ. Keep him focused on having a relationship with God, not on whether you, other people, or the elders think he has been converted. Do all you can to keep him from worrying about baptism, a public profession, or church membership. If you are not noticeably vexed over this, it will do a great deal to keep him from being so."
~ Dennis Gundersen, pg. 51

- D. Encourage them to "Bear fruit in keeping with repentance." Matthew 3:8. But remind them that the _____ proves the _____ – the fruit _____ salvation, it doesn't _____ salvation.
- E. Remember – Salvation _____ to the Lord!

SO NOW WHAT? WHAT DO WE DO AT KELTYS FROM THIS POINT?

If your child has expressed an interest in being saved or professed to be saved:

1. Make sure you're _____ with this last section, "Conversion: Evangelize Your Children Faithfully."
2. We'll give you 2 resources. One is for you and the other is for you to use with your _____.
3. After going through these 2 resources, Pastor Aaron will be glad to _____ with all of you.
4. We have a _____ class several times a year to help teach and prepare children.
5. Ultimately, the _____ knows their child best and we leave these decisions in your hands.

Recommended Reading

Do Not Hinder Them, Justin Peters

Established in the Faith A Discipleship Guide for Discerning and Affirming a Young Person's Faith, David Michael

How Can I Be Sure I'm A Christian, Don Whitney

How Children Come to Faith in Christ, CD Album, Jim Elliff (See Aaron to borrow these)

Leading Your Child to Christ: Biblical Direction for Sharing the Gospel, Marty Machowski

Saved, Without A Doubt, John MacArthur

The Gospel According to Jesus, John MacArthur

The Gospel According to the Apostles, John MacArthur

The Gospel for Children, John B. Leuzarder

Wasted Faith, Jim Elliff

Your Child's Profession of Faith, Dennis Gundersen

And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle,
encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.
(1 Thessalonians 5:14, ESV)

1. INTRODUCTION

- A. Compare Ephesians 4:29 "Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, _____, that it may give grace to those who hear."
- B. Both passages tell us to use the right _____.
- C. Ephesians 4:29: Right Words for the Right _____
- D. 1 Thessalonians 5:14: Right Words for the Right _____

2. ADMONISH

- A. Verse 12 is _____ counsel. Verse 14 is _____ counsel.
- B. This means to place _____ into the mind.
- C. We are to be a _____ of God's standards, commands, warnings and correctives.

3. IDLE

- A. The idea is of a careless _____ who is out of line
- B. Loafing, _____, or slacking
- C. Out in front, setting themselves _____ of the normal order.
- D. They're not falling _____ with God's boundaries.

4. ENCOURAGE

- A. To _____ or console.
- B. John 11:31: The Jews were "consoling" _____

5. FAINTHEARTED

- A. _____ - minded, timid, _____ - souled, losing heart

6. HELP

- A. _____
- B. Matthew 6 & Luke 16: clinging to _____

C. Titus tells pastors to cling to _____

D. The idea is to NOT _____ these people.

7. WEAK

A. Physical or spiritual weakness

B. Weak in _____ (Romans 14 & 15)

C. Spiritually _____

8. BE PATIENT WITH THEM ALL

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