



Biblical Directives Pointed to Parents

Throughout the Scriptures there are specific instructions given to parents by the Lord to raise their children. God knows what's best. God knows what works. In this lesson we take a look into some of these directives that are pointed to Parents. This is what God expects you to do.

1. **A** _____ **toward your child**

Ephesians 6:4 Do not provoke your children to anger
The idea of "Provoke" is to:

- Col 3:21 leads to discouragement
- What other passages would help us keep the proper spirit?
- What does the word "nurture" mean?
- As a parent, how can you be the "thermostat" in your home?

What would be some examples of this?

Why would a parent do this?

2. **D** _____ **toward your child**

Proverbs 13:24 He who loves him disciplines him _____
22:15 discipline drives out _____
19:18 discipline your child while there is _____
29:15 a child who gets his way brings _____ to his mother
29:17 correct your son and he will give you _____

- The Eli syndrome (1 Sam 2:12, 22-25; 3:13)
What are some conclusions we reach about Eli's sons:

What could he have done?

What impact did this have upon the nation?

What are the concerns when it comes to discipline?

How does discipline change as a child grows?

It's a Saturday morning and you have a lot of stops to make. In one store, your child has a meltdown because he wants something. He is crying and making a scene. What do you do?

Why is attitude & discipline important here?

What are some bigger issues at hand?

It's Sunday morning and the family is getting ready to head to services. The oldest child states that he doesn't want to go. He doesn't like church. What to do?



3. A _____ given to your child (2 Tim 1:5; Acts 16:1-2)

- the younger your child, the more attention and guidance they need

For young Timothy to be well spoken of by brethren in other cities (Iconium and Derbe) means what?

Paul does not mention the faith of Timothy's father. Sometimes moms have to take charge if dads won't (1 Pet 3:1-2).

- How can moms get help in this situation?

- What are some challenges that come to such homes?

As a parent, what concerns would you have in letting your teenage son going with Paul?

- Do not sin against the child (Gen 42:22)

What are ways a parent may sin against their child?

Much of the troubles of our times are directly linked to parenting.

