

Session 5: Training with Loving Authority

Determine to win the wrestle for authority.

Proverbs 22:6 [You] train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

* They are called to obey.

You are called to train them to that which they are called.

Don't be afraid to be the authority in your kids' lives.

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right... NIV

Colossians 3:20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.
NIV

Why do we struggle with being the authority?

We don't think we have the right.

We don't want to be that parent. We want to be friends.

We think that if we discipline them they won't know that we love them.

We are afraid of messing them up.

Proverbs 29:15 The rod of correction imparts wisdom,
but a child left to himself disgraces his mother.

Establish an atmosphere of obedience.

Proverbs 22:6 [You] train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

* If you don't train them to obey, they won't.

Always expect full obedience.

Quickly

Completely

Cheerfully

- No grumbling
- No bad attitude
- No bargaining
- No talking back
- No pouting
- No eye rolling

Always correct disobedience.

Ecclesiastes 8:11 When the sentence for a crime is not quickly carried out, the hearts of the people are filled with schemes to do wrong. NIV

Never shy away from giving correction.

Set and hold standards that launch your kids on a trajectory.

Proverbs 22:6 [You] train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

*** Train them to act stellar or they will act like mere kids.**

1 Corinthians 3:3 You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere men? NIV

Set standards that adults follow.

Set standards that help you establish boundaries and teach authority.

Set standards that teach them to show honor.

Set standards that teach them how to interact lovingly.

Set standards that bring peace and enjoyment.

Set standards that are higher than those of everyone around you.

Standards God Has for Our Kids

Honoring

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children... ²“Honor your father and mother” — which is the first commandment with a promise— ³“that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

Obedient

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1 Timothy 3:4 [An overseer] must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. NIV

Titus 1:6 An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. NIV

Respectful

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Believing

Titus 1:6 An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. NIV

Not wild

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Bringing peace to the home

Proverbs 29:17 Discipline your son, and he will give you peace; he will bring delight to your soul.

Hebrews 12:11b [Discipline] produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it. NIV

On a good course

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Pure and right conduct

Proverbs 20:11 Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right. NIV

Righteous

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Wise and not foolish

Proverbs 29:15 The rod of correction imparts wisdom, but a child left to himself disgraces his mother.

Proverbs 22:15 Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline will drive it far from him.

Well-versed in the commands of God

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. NIV

Trained and instructed

Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. NIV

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Sensible, self-controlled, and Sober-minded

Titus 2:6 Likewise urge the young men to be sensible; NASU

Titus 2:6 Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled. NIV

Titus 2:6 Likewise, exhort the young men to be sober-minded, NKJV

Submitted to those who are older

1 Peter 5:5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” NIV

Under authority

1 Peter 2:13a Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every authority instituted among men.

