



I. Five Approaches to Discipline

- A. The Permissive parent - Eli - I Sam. 1
Tend to Bail out their kids - leading to irresponsible people
- B. The Neglegent parent - David - I Kings. 1:5-6
Tend to Buy out their kids - leading to insecure people
- C. The Over Protective parent - Proverbs 29:25 - Fear = "snare"
Tend to Bind Up their kids - leading to fearful people
- D. The Authoritarian parent - King Saul - I Sam. 20:30
Tend to Burden Down their kids - leading to rebellious people
- E. The Authoritative parent - Solomon - Proverbs
Tend to Bless their kids - leading to faithful people

Our goal is to balance law and grace as God does.

II. Two Types of Discipline

- A. Formative discipline - concerned with the long-range life of our kids and leading them toward redemption. (discipline)
- B. Corrective discipline - concerned with momentary crisis for the purpose of repentance. (punishment)

III. Five Guidelines for Discipline (Heb. 12:1– 11)

Looking at God's discipline as a guide to how we should discipline.

- A. Discipline based on a clearly defined authority structure.
- B. Built on consistent application over time.
- C. Never done in anger as if the offense is taken personal.
- D. Distinguishing between immaturity and defiance.
- E. Determined to build relationships in love and respect.