

**The Discipline Factor**  
**PARENTHOOD, Part 3**  
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- **DISCIPLINE IS CORRECTION DRIVEN BY LOVE.**

*My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines those he loves... Hebrews 12:5-6*

*Discipline your son, for in that there is hope; do not be a willing party to his death.*  
Proverbs 19:18

- **DISCIPLINE ISN'T SOMETHING YOU DO TO YOUR CHILD, BUT FOR YOUR CHILD.**

*"A child who has not been disciplined with love by his little world will be disciplined without love by the great big world." Zig Ziglar*

**UNDISCIPLINED PARENTS**

- **LIFEGUARD PARENTS: OFTEN RESCUE A CHILD FROM CONSEQUENCES.**

*Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Galatians 6:7*

- **ETCH-A-SKETCH PARENTS: OFTEN INCONSISTENT.**

*The rod of correction imparts wisdom, but a child left to himself disgraces his mother...Discipline your son, and he will give you peace; he will bring delight to your soul. Proverbs 29:15, 17*

- **SPLIT-DECISION PARENTS: OFTEN UNUNIFIED.**

*Do two walk together unless they have agreed to do so? Amos 3:3*

**PARENTAL EXPECTATIONS**

- 1) **EXPECT FIRST TIME AND CHEERFUL OBEDIENCE.**

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

*Do everything without complaining or arguing... Philippians 2:14*

- **Discipline more for attitude than actions.**

- 2) **AGREE TO NEVER DISCIPLINE IN ANGER.**

*In your anger do not sin. Ephesians 4:26*

- For verses on spanking, see Proverbs 3:12, 13:24, 22:15

- 3) **DISCIPLINE PROMPTLY WITH INSTRUCTION AND RECONCILIATION.**

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