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Parental Guidance Required

Ephesians 6:1-4

CHILDREN:

Learn to see parental authority as a _____ ; not a _____

PARENTS:

DON'T: Bring them _____

Exasperate: To create a simmering, deep-seated bitterness

- When we are I _____
- When we are I _____
- When we are I _____
- When we are I _____
- When we are I _____

Do: Bring them _____

training = discipline; or correction for wrongdoing

¹**Children**, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 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."

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

Proverbs 3:12

The LORD disciplines those he loves, just as a father disciplines the son he delights in.

instruction = teaching, coaching, or verbal warning

Instruction requires two things from parents:

Abundant _____

Authentic _____

Inferior goals:

- Bring them up in training and instruction of _____
- Bring them up in training and instruction of _____
- Bring them up in training and instruction of _____

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress 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.

Spend some time each day reading, meditating on, studying, and applying Ephesians 6:1-4. Here are some resources that may help:

<http://parkerhill.wordpress.com> – weekend follow-up questions for you and your small group

Life Lessons: The Book of Ephesians by Max Lucado

Revolutionary Parenting by George Barna

The Parent You want to Be by Les and Leslie Parrot

www.crosswalk.com

www.studydrive.org
