

Ephesians 6 (2-13-11)
The Family Series

HOW STRICT SHOULD WE BE?

TEXT: Ephesians 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
2 Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;)
3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
4 **And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.**

"Bullying expert: Kids now in school are meanest ever...This generation that's coming up, the generation in school right now...they are the meanest generation of kids that we've ever had, and they have more ways to be mean to each other than any other generation."
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2 Timothy 3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves...disobedient to parents, unthankful,
3...fierce...

Proverbs 30:11 There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.
12 There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness.
14 There is a generation, whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives...
15 The horseleach hath two daughters, crying, Give, give.

"Schlafly co-author says parents need to be parents - Tells ABC News they are 'actually afraid of their children'...She said many in America have 'moved away' from the role of a parent as an authoritative leader and too many parents are trying to be their children's friends. 'And you now have parents who are actually afraid of their children because they are so coddling and so concerned with their self-esteem that they have lost the ability to parent appropriately,' she said. Her comments came as part of a discussion on the ideas suggested in the book, 'Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother' by Amy Chua. Said Venker, 'We have gotten away from some **the traditional Western approaches** to parenting'...She continued. 'Really a lot she's [Chua] calling for is just a **return to a philosophy that we in America have gotten away from** when it comes to taking care of our kids. It's the move away from the sort of assertive authoritative role of a parent...Venker was invited to appear after producers noticed her article in the *New York Post* titled 'Why America Needs 'tiger mom'...'Forty years have passed since the so-called women's movement claimed to liberate women from traditional notions of what it means to be female and the results are in. The latest statistics from the National Bureau of Economic Research show that as women have gained more freedom, more education, and more power, they have become less happy..."
(www.WND.com)

"Its an approach to motherhood that, I personally don't have the energy to explore...I'm just happy if my daughter remembers to brush her teeth...and doesn't wind up in therapy by the time she's 30. "

Matthew 7:13 Enter ye in at the **strait** gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because **strait** is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Deuteronomy 6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt **teach them diligently unto thy children**, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

17 Ye shall **diligently keep the commandments** of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

Romans 12:8...he that ruleth, with **diligence**...

Exodus 1:14 And they **made their lives bitter** with hard bondage...all their service, wherein they made them serve, was **with rigour**.

1 Kings 12:11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

13 And the king answered the people **roughly**, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men...

19 So Israel **rebelled** against the house of David unto this day.

1 Samuel 25:17...he is such a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him.

Hebrews 12:11 Now **no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous**, but grievous: nevertheless **afterward** it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

Psalms 119:67 Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.

Psalms 89:31 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;

32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.

33 Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail.

Lamentations 3:32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

Proverbs 19:18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and **let not thy soul spare for his crying**.

Proverbs 28:23 He that rebuketh a man **afterwards** shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.

"Flatterers may please those for a time who, upon second thoughts, will detest and despise them. If ever they come to be convinced of the evil of those sinful courses they were flattered in, and to be ashamed of the pride and vanity which were humoured and gratified by those flatteries, they will hate the fawning flatterers as having had an ill design upon them...Reprovers may displease those at first who yet afterwards, when the passion is over and the bitter [medicine] begins to work well, will love and respect them."
(Matthew Henry)

Proverbs 13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

Proverbs 15:10 Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way...

Proverbs 25:12 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprove upon an **obedient** ear.

Proverbs 19:20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be **wise in thy latter** end.

Proverbs 17:25 A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

Proverbs 24:6 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety.

Galatians 1:10...for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

1 Thessalonians 2:4...even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God...

2 Timothy 1:15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

2 Timothy 4:10 For Demas hath forsaken me...
11 Only Luke is with me...

John 7:5 For neither did his brethren believe in him.

Mark 3:21 And when his friends heard of it, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, He is beside himself.

Mark 6:3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.

4 But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house.

Psalms 119:9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Isaiah 8:19 And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God?...

20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

Proverbs 29:27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

Acts 26:24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself...

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

Acts 24:14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

Matthew 7:20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

1 Timothy 3:4 One that **ruleth well** his own house, **having his children in subjection with all gravity;**

5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

Genesis 18:17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment...

Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning...