

Parenting4—Wise Tips

I. Introduction.

- A. What are some big things your parents did wrong?
- B. What are some big things your parents did right?
- C. Ever mortified by your child's behavior or by someone else's child? Explain the situation. What did you or someone else do about it? Did it work? Why?—What would have been a better way to handle?
- D. What is one of your best parenting tips or advice?

II. Scripture.

- A. Every parent makes M_____. It is wise to ask successful parents for their C_____, wisdom, and practical tips to overcome stressful issues or bad habits.
 1. **Pro. 11:14**—"*Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counselors there is safety.*"
 2. **Pro. 15:22**—"*Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counselors, they are established.*"
 3. **Pro. 24:6**—"*For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counselors there is safety.*"
- B. Teach your children to _____.
 1. **2Th. 3:8-10**—"*Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labor and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you: Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us. For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.*"
 2. **Pro. 14:23**—"*In all labor there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.*"
- C. Great parents are in _____ on their parenting.
 1. **Amos 3:3**—"*Can two walk together, except they be agreed?*"
 2. **Psa. 133:1**—"*Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!*"
- D. Sibling _____ is real.
 1. **Pro. 17:17**—"*A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.*"
 2. **Lev. 19:17**—"*Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him.*"

3. **Mat. 5:22**—"*But I say unto you, 'That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, 'Raca' shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, 'Thou fool,' shall be in danger of hell fire.'*"
- E. Parents should _____ and _____ for their children, not the children for the parents.
1. **2Co. 12:14**—"*...for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.*"
 2. **1Ti. 5:8**—"*But if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.*"
- F. Parents should give Tough _____, not be an Enabler.
1. **Heb. 12:1**—"*Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.*"
 2. **1Co. 10:13**—"*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.*"
- G. Rules without Relationship = _____.
Rules with Relationship = _____.
1. **John 14:15**—"*If ye love Me, keep My commandments.*"
 2. **John 14:21**—"*He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.*"
- H. How do kids spell LOVE?—__ __ __ __
1. **2Th. 3:16**—"*Now the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.*"
 2. **Mark 3:14**—"*And He ordained twelve, that they should be with Him, and that He might send them forth to preach.*"
 3. **Acts 18:20**—"*When they desired him to tarry longer time with them, he consented not.*"
- I. Parent regarding your child's _____.
1. **James 4:4**—"*Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.*"

2. **Lam. 1:2**—" *She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks...all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.*"

J. Parents' _____ speak louder than their words.

1. **Eph. 2:10**—" *For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*"

2. **Mat. 5:16**—" *Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.*"

3. **Tit. 2:7-8**—" *7-In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, 8-Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.*"

4. **Tit. 3:8, 14**—" *8-This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men. 14-And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.*"

5. **Heb. 10:24**—" *And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works.*"

III. Application.

A. What do you do if your child threatens to "kill themselves?"

B. What are your biggest parental questions?

C. How do you prevent your child from doing "T _____"
" _____" in your relationships?

D. What are 6 ways to be a 4ACE parent?

- A _____.
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- C _____.
- E _____.