



Effective Parenting requires _____.

"A house is built by wisdom, and it is established by understanding; by knowledge the rooms are filled with every precious and beautiful treasure."
(Pr. 24:3-4)

Our children can bring us great _____ or great _____.

"The father of a righteous son will rejoice greatly, and one who fathers a wise son will delight in him. Let your father and mother have joy, and let her who gave birth to you rejoice." (Pr. 23:24-25)

"A foolish son is grief to his father and bitterness to the one who bore him."
(Pr. 17:25)

See also Pr. 10:1; 17:21; 19:26; 23:15-16; 28:24

The Goal of Parenting

"Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it." (Pr. 22:6, NASB)

In other words: "Do all you can to help your child get a _____ on the lifelong _____ of _____."

Effective Parenting involves ...

1) _____ -- _____ them

"Listen, my son, to your father's instruction, and don't reject your mother's teaching...." (Pr. 1:8)

"Listen, my son. Accept my words, and you will live many years. I am teaching you the way of wisdom; I am guiding you on straight paths."
(Pr. 4:10-11, also 4:20-21)

"My son, keep your father's command, and don't reject your mother's teaching." (Pr. 6:20, also 31:1)

Effective Parenting involves ...

2) _____ -- _____ them

"The rod and reproof give wisdom, but a child who gets his own way brings shame to his mother." (Pr. 29:15, NASB)

"Foolishness is bound to the heart of a youth; a rod of discipline will separate it from him." (Pr. 22:15)

"The one who will not use the rod hates his son, but the one who loves him disciplines him diligently." (Pr. 13:24)

"Do not despise the Lord's instruction, my son, and do not loathe his discipline; for the Lord disciplines the one he loves, just as a father disciplines the son in whom he delights." (Pr. 3:11-12)

"Don't withhold discipline from a youth; if you punish him with a rod, he will not die. Punish him with a rod, and you will rescue his life from Sheol." (Pr. 23:13-14)

"Discipline your son while there is hope; don't set your heart on being the cause of his death." (Pr. 19:18)

"A wise son responds to his father's discipline, but a mocker doesn't listen to rebuke." (Pr. 13:1)

"A fool despises his father's discipline, but a person who accepts correction is sensible." (Pr. 15:5)

3) _____ -- _____ them

"A righteous man who walks in his integrity -- How blessed are his sons after him." (Pr. 20:7)

"In the fear of the Lord one has strong confidence and his children have a refuge." (Pr. 14:26)

"My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my ways."
(Pr. 23:26)

Remember - The question is NOT _____ your children are learning from you, but rather _____ they are learning from you!