

Gospel-Powered Shepherding: Leading and Disciplining Our Children

Various Scriptures

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Main Point: God calls parents to shepherd their children's hearts through intentional, gospel-shaped leadership and loving biblical discipline so that they grow into worshipers of the living God.

Introduction

I. Gospel-powered shepherding starts with a love for God (Deuteronomy 6:4-5; Matthew 22:37-38).

II. Gospel-powered shepherding requires daily, intentional discipleship (Deuteronomy 6:6-9).

III. Gospel-powered shepherding avoids provoking children to anger (Ephesians 6:4a; Colossians 3:21).

IV. Gospel-powered shepherding uses loving discipline and instruction (Ephesians 6:4b).

V. Gospel-powered shepherding includes spanking as one biblical tool, not the whole toolbox (Proverbs 13:24; Proverbs 22:15).

VI. Gospel-powered shepherding is shaped by the gospel itself.

VII. Gospel-powered shepherding aims to raise worshipers of the Living God (Deuteronomy 6:4-5; Ephesians 6:4).

Recommended resources:

Shepherding a Child's Heart by Tedd Tripp

Instructing a Child's Heart by Tedd & Margy Tripp

Gospel-Powered Parenting by William P. Farley

The Faithful Parent by Marth Peace and Stuart W. Scott

The Age of Opportunity by Paul David Tripp