

EQUIP

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God's Plan for the Believer

God's Children Disciplined

Hebrews 12:5-11

- I. **Why** does discipline promote progressive sanctification?
 - A. His discipline is a part of the total educational process by which we are fitted to share God's holiness. (Heb. 12:10)
 - B. His discipline is a proof of a genuine love relationship between our heavenly Father and ourselves. (Heb. 12:6-8)

Parenting styles: A balance between control and love (authority vs. nurture).
 - C. His discipline helps train us to be obedient (Heb. 12:9).
 - D. His discipline produces the fruit of righteousness in our lives (Heb. 12:11).

II. **How** does discipline promote progressive sanctification?

A. **Who** aids in our sanctification?

1. The Father (Jn. 17:17; Jn. 15:2)
2. Jesus (Jn. 17:15; Eph. 5:26-27)
3. The Holy Spirit (2 Cor. 3:18)
4. The believer (Rom. 6:19; 2 Cor. 7:1; Gal. 5:16)
5. God and the believer (Rom. 8:13; Phil. 2:13; Col. 1:29)

B. **What** aids in our sanctification?

1. The Word of God (Jn. 17:17)
2. Prayer (Mt. 6:10)
3. Fellowship (Heb. 10:24-25)
4. Worship (Rom. 12:1-2; Jn. 4:24) For example:
 - a. The Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:26-32)
 - b. Baptism (Rom. 6:1-10)
5. The circumstances of life (Rom. 8:28; 1 Thes. 5:18)