

Big Boo-Boos

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6

Does NOT mean: the way we, the parents, think he/she should go!

Does mean: studying the child and facilitating him/her becoming his/her true, God-created identity.

Beware . . .

A person without self-control is like a house with its doors and windows knocked out. Proverbs 25:28, The Message

- Withdrawal of love
- Criticism and/or hostile response to boundary setting
- Over control
- Lack of limits
- Inconsistent limits
- Trauma
- Personality
- Sin

The Results

- Compliant—say “yes” to the bad
- Avoidant— say “no” to the good
- Controller— no respect for others’ boundaries
- Nonresponsive— do not hear the needs of others

Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received! We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to participation in the life of God after you turned your back on a world corrupted by lust. So don't lose a minute in building on what you've been given, complementing your basic faith with good character, spiritual understanding, alert discipline, passionate patience, reverent wonder, warm friendliness, and generous love, each dimension fitting into and developing the others. With these qualities active and growing in your lives, no grass will grow under your feet, no day will pass without its reward as you mature in your experience of our Master Jesus. Without these qualities you can't see what's right before you, oblivious that your old sinful life has been wiped off the books. So, friends, confirm God's invitation to you, his choice of you. Don't put it off; do it now. Do this, and you'll have your life on a firm footing, the streets paved and the way wide open into the eternal kingdom of our Master and Savior, Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 1:3-11

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance. I will praise the lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me. I have set the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Psalm 16:6-8 NIV