

Discipline in the Classroom

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Hebrews. 12:11

Preface

Relationship: Are you their Pastor/Teacher or Babysitter?

-Commitment

-Consistency

-Looking at the positives and not just the wrongs in a child's character.

-Praying for the class

IMITATE ME

-Apply the rules to yourself first

BUILDING A SOUND STRUCTURE

-Children feel secure

-Children know what to expect

-Changing hearts in an hour

-Children love the rules

-Creates a learning friendly and spiritually centered environment

Children's Church Rules

"...but his delight is in the Law of the Lord and on His Law he meditates day and night..."

-Psalms 1

The rules work because they are Gods Word

They work because they strike for the heart

HONOR *"Honor your Father and Mother as the Lord your God commanded you."*

-Exodus 20:12, Deut 5:16, Ephesians 6:1-3

Honor is:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

WHY HONOR?

-Honor gives value to people & tasks

-Honor Vs. Respect

Honor in a Biblical Context

- Can you see the three definitions of Honor in this Biblical example?

{See Luke 7:36-50}

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

-Honor follows Humility {See Daniel 4:37}

OBEY "Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right."
-Ephesians. 6:1

Obey

Doing what someone says _____ without being _____.

Obedience in a Biblical Context

{See John 3:36}

-Children and Adults should know that Obedience is Paramount in the Christian Life.

A Biblical Example

-The Obvious Example is Jesus. {See Philippians 2:8}

-Can you find a Biblical example of Obedience?

HONOR AND OBEDIENCE: Two blades on a pair of scissors

- Honor Mingled with Obedience Produces a Unique Outcome

"Obedience alone gets the job done, honor addresses HOW the job gets done"

{Referenced from the book "Say good bye to whining, complaining and bad attitudes in You and Your kids" by Scott Turansky & Joanne Miller

-A child can appear to be obedient on the outside but on the inside he/or she is still disobeying in their hearts.

BE KIND *"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." -Ephesians 4:32*

-The Focal Point is Forgiveness

-True Kindness is Revealed in Forgiveness

-How many of you are drawn in to being kind to people who are evil towards you? {See Matthew 5:44-48}

A Biblical Example - Jesus Exemplifies this Kindness {See Luke 23:34}

- Kindness can lead a heart toward repentance {See Romans 2:4}

ISN'T THE GREATEST RULE LOVE?

- HONOR: ROMANS 12:10

- OBEY: JOHN 14:15

- Be Kind: GALATIANS 5:22

Consequences

THE BREAK

What does it do?

How does it work?

Not a Timeout.

A Biblical Example {See Jonah Ch. 1&2}

Can you find a Biblical example of how God used THE BREAK?

THE THREE QUESTIONS

- **WHAT DID YOU DO WRONG?** : Confession & Taking Responsibility
The question you should never use: **Why did you do that?**
- **WHY WAS IT WRONG?** : Reveals a Heart Issue
- **WHAT WILL YOU DO DIFFERENTLY NEXT TIME?** : Come up with a solution

CONCLUSION

- Always end the discipline with a positive conclusion

Application Tool Bag and Teaching Tactics: *The how and when we apply the rules, consequences & give instruction.*

Q&A: Learn more, ask a question.

