

**GOD'S CORRECTION – Part 1**  
Why Does God Correct His Children?  
8/16/23

- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
  - Tonight – will begin a series – God's Correction – Part 1
  - Title tonight – Why Does God Correct His Children?
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1. A loving father corrects his children

Notice the following about some verses in the book of Proverbs –

- These verses tonight – mention some instructions about “how” to correct
- Tonight – we are NOT focusing upon “how” to correct
- However – these verses remind us to avoid being too “literal” with the scripture

Prov. 13:24	he who spares his rod, hates his son – he who loves his son, disciplines him promptly
Prov. 19:18	chasten your son while there is hope – and do not set your heart on his destruction
Prov. 22:6	train up a child in the way he should go – and when he is old, he will not depart from it
15	foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child – the rod of correction will drive it far from him
Prov. 23:13	do not withhold correction from a child – for if you beat him with a rod, he
	will not die
14	you shall beat him with a rod, and deliver his soul from hell (the grave)
Prov. 29:15	the rod and rebuke give wisdom – but a child left to himself brings shame to his mother
17	correct your son, and he will give you rest – yes, he will give delight to your soul

For the record – here are a few books that can help parents with “how”

“Hide or Seek”	Dr. James Dobson
“The Strong-Willed Child”	Dr. James Dobson
“The Key to Your Child’s Heart”	Gary Smalley
“The Two Sides of Love”	Gary Smalley & John Trent

Reminders – from scriptures in Proverbs

Loving a child	Helping with a course correction
Helping early	Spending time
Training early	Providing wisdom
Managing foolishness Again	– helping a course correction

2. Why were you born?

Psalms 8:3-4	why has God blessed people?
5	a little lower than the angels – glory and honor
6-8	dominion over much of the creation
9	how excellent is God's name on the earth
Heb. 2:6-8	quoted Psalm 8:4-6
9	the Son of God – for the suffering of death
10	the Son of God – in bringing many sons to glory – made perfect through sufferings

3. Why were you called?

Rom. 8:14	sons of God
15	Abba, Father
16	children of God
17	heirs of God – joint heirs with Christ
Heb. 12:5	do not despise the chastening of the Lord
6	whom the Lord loves – He chastens
7	when God chastens – He deals with us as a son
8	without chastening = illegitimate
9	we respected human fathers – we should be in subjection to the Father of spirits (and live)
10	partakers of His holiness
11	correction does not seem joyful – it is painful – yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness
1 John 3:1	the manner of love that the Father has bestowed upon us – we should be called the children of God
2	now, we are called children of God – we may not know exactly what we shall be – when He is revealed, we will be like Him – we will see Him as He is