



Part 3: Honor Code

When our kids mess up, our tendency is to take something away from them. However, punishment shouldn't be the end goal of discipline. Restoration should be.

Discussion Questions

1. When it comes to discipline, what is one thing you are glad your parents did? What's something you wish they had done?
2. Were your parents more inclined to loan you their strength or remind you of your weaknesses? As a parent, which one are you more inclined to do?
3. Give an example of where you prioritized siding with your child before disciplining them. Discuss why it's easier and more natural to discipline first. How can we get better at siding with our children first?
4. Growing up, would you say your home was characterized by mutual respect and honor? What about your current family?
5. **Read Hebrews 12:11.** What stands out to you?
 - According to the author, what is the goal of discipline?
 - What is your goal?

Moving Forward

When it comes to acceptable behavior, teaching kids to strive toward honor is superior to simply obeying. If our goal is obedience, we are selling our kids short and are parenting to the lowest common denominator. In an environment of honor, rules are not the priority—relationships are.