

WINNING AT HOME
Winning Parenting At Home
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IV. DEVELOP YOUR CHILD WITH RESPONSIBILITY

- A. Your child needs to experience a home with chores, not a hotel with everything being done for them.

¹⁰“*For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat.*”

I Thessalonians 3:10

- B. Grow trust with your child and move them from parent control to God control.

¹¹“*When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.*”

I Corinthians 13:11

V. ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD WITH LOVE

- A. Do not discourage your child with neglect.

²¹“*Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.*”

Colossians 3:21

- B. Love and encourage your child by shepherding their heart.

²⁶“*My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my ways.*”

Proverbs 23:26

⁴“*Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!*”

⁵“*You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.*”

⁶“*And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.*”

⁷“*You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.*”

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Introduction:

- A. Homes are not just built. They are WON. The reality is modern family life is extremely complex, often dysfunctional, and very painful. Is there hope? YES! You can win at home through a strong connection to God.

“Unless the LORD builds the house, they labor in vain who build it...” Psalm 127:1

- B. We were not created to do life alone. Everyone needs help from time to time. Join us for the Winning At Home Teaching Series and be equipped with six practical skills to strengthen your home.

You will discover how to have healthy relationships in every family situation whether single, married, kids, empty nesters, whatever.

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- C. TEXT: Joshua 24:14-16

HOW TO WIN PARENTING AT HOME

Winning At Home Skill #6: Developing a parenting commitment to actively lead your family in serving God.

¹⁵ “*And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of^l the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.*” Joshua 24:15

I. ACCEPT YOUR CHILD WITH UNIQUENESS

A. God uniquely created each child. This means you have to make some style adjustments in training each one.

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

B. Avoid making comparisons.

¹² “*For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.*”
II Corinthians 10:12

II. BUILD YOUR CHILD WITH THE BIBLE

A. You are not perfect, but you have God’s Word which is perfect.

¹⁶ “*All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,*
¹⁷ *that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.*” II Timothy 3:16-17

B. Give your child daily doses of the Bible.

⁹ “*Whom will he teach knowledge? And whom will he make to understand the message? Those just weaned from milk? Those just drawn from the breasts?*

¹⁰ *For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little.*”
Isaiah 28:9-10

III. CORRECT YOUR CHILD WITH DISCIPLINE

A. Correct your child obediently.

“*Do not withhold correction from a child, ...*”
Proverbs 23:13a

Difference Between Punishment & Correction

	Punishment	Correction
Purpose	Pain	Growth
Attitude	Anger	Love
Focus	Past	Future

B. Correct your child purposely.

⁵ “*Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.*” Psalm 51:5
¹⁵ “*Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of correction will drive it far from him.*”
Proverbs 22:15

C. Correct your child early.

¹⁸ “*Chasten your son while there is hope, and do not set your heart on his destruction.*” Proverbs 19:18
¹⁷ “*Correct your son, and he will give you rest; Yes, he will give delight to your soul.*” Proverbs 29:17

D. Correct your child lovingly.

²⁴ “*He who spares his rod hates his son, but he who loves him disciplines him promptly.*”
Proverbs 13:24

Loving correction includes...

- companionship
- communication
- chastening
- comfort