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Children and Parents

**Ephesians 6:1**\* Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

You notice that this is different then what he says to the wives, to them he says **SUBMIT** and to the Children it says **OBEY**, big difference, in order to obey something or someone, you have to first acknowledge it or them as someone with authority.

To receive salvation, you **FIRST** submit your **WILL** to believe or except that Jesus paid **ALL** the price required by God

**Obey** — comply with the command, follow direction

Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;

**Submit** - accept or yield to another person:

All these teachings that the Lord sets forth, are always in the Lord, in other words, if the parent or your boss says to do anything contrary to what Gods word says, don't do it. A guide for **NOT** what to do, look up **Re 21:8\*** 

**Ephesians 6:2&3** Honour (respect) thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;), That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

Child or adult, does not like correction, it hurts their pride, when the Lord corrects us, he does it in a way that you **WILL** come to appreciate his guidance and correction. **UNLESS OF COURSE** you have a proud spirit, if we do as the bible says (2Co 13:5) and examine ourselves when our pride is hurt, we will find out the Lord is very gentle and we will come to ask him for guidance and correction. Re 3:19\* Heb 12:11\*

Not that many people, especially adults, are willing to be honest with themselves, they will examine themselves **ONLY** until it don't make them **FEEL** good anymore.

## **PARENTS**

The bible says to train up a child in the way they **SHALL** walk, what most adults do not realize until it's to late, is that the **MAJORITY** of you're training is in our actions or reactions, not what we say.

If you would of told me I was self centered when I was raising my kids, I would of jumped all over you. (figuratively speaking)

It wasn't until I was almost 70 years old, before the Lord was able to show me just how self centered we were. Not the kind that says hey look at me, or I'm better than most, but when it came to what we liked or what we wanted, **YOU KNOW** the big ME, you hurt my feelings and so on. This is full blown self centeredness and this is the environment I raised my family in.

They are very nice people, kind, considerate and willing to help, until it infringes on the Big ME, my feelings.

**Ephesians 6:4** And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

The bible says to spare the rod is to spoil the child, this is not a literal rod but something besides your hand to stroke the padded behind of the lower posterior.

One thing the Lord showed me years ago was to never give a licken when you were mad or upset. This is where beatings and child abuse comes in, when you are calm and collected you can administer the spanking, able to control the force of it and duration of it. When your angry you usually keep stroking until your anger is appeased a little, THUS YOU HAVE A BEATING.

There are many forms of discipline, but if you have not taught the child the meaning of NO, all your discipline is useless.

Our governments and society has no punishment for crime anymore, at one time if you murdered someone, you were put to death, that was the law. If you just got a jail sentence, you lost all rights until you paid your time. The jails were not fancy nor were they meant to be. BUT now an inmate has more luxuries and benefits than the average worker plus they get to vote.

We live in a spiritually sick society, where criminals are rewarded and victims are treated like 3rd class citizens.

It is against the law to discipline your children or teach them that Jesus is the only way to Heaven.

Jesus will return very shortly for his church, and then seven years later he will set up his kingdom in Jerusalem and the bible says he will rule with a rod of iron and Satan will be locked up for a 1000 years. We will be able to worship him as he is.

I trust this will answer some of your questions.

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