

FAMILY VACATION



MAY 20

ROAD RAGE

INTRODUCTION

If parents love their children, they must discipline them. Why is it loving TO discipline when the world these days say that this is unloving? One reason for not disciplining is that it is not convenient. Or the parent does not enjoy it. It pains the parent emotionally. Basically, it is easier not to. Love is willing to do what is necessary, no matter how difficult, and inconvenient, for the good of others.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is your worst travel/vacation experience?
2. Read **Hebrews 12:5-11**. In light of this passage, what would it mean if you failed to discipline your children?
3. What problem within all children necessitates their need for discipline?
4. What is the difference between punishment and discipline? How could this difference influence the way you parent?
5. As a parent, are you more characterized by rescuing, being inconsistent, or being unified? How can you improve?
6. Read **Proverbs 29:15 and 17**. What are some of your fears or hang-ups that prevent you from consistently disciplining your children? How do these compare with God's Word?

MOVING FORWARD

God is the best model for parenting, and He disciplines us for our good and His glory. Likewise, we must offer grace-filled discipline to our children, even though it isn't pleasant at the time. What does God need to change in you for you to better discipline your children?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord. Ephesians 6:4