

Opening Questions

- Were you able to have any intentional conversations this week with your children?
- · How did it go?
- What is the most difficult thing about pursuing your children?

Two Matrixes of Parenting:

- 1. <u>Warmth</u> affectionate, supportive & responsive vs detached, distant and inaccessible
- 2. **Expectations** clear, high standards, and monitoring vs lenient, passive, indulgent and non-directive.

Parenting Types on the Two Matrixes:

- 1. High Warmth and High Expectations: <u>Authoritative</u> combines warmth, closeness, support with clear expectations, directional, explanation
- 2. Low Warmth, High Expectations: <u>Demanding</u> "Do as I say" or "because I said so" type of discipline
- 3. **High Warmth, Low Expectations**: <u>Permissive</u> "let's just be friends" "you're the boss"
- 4. Low on Both: <u>Neglectful</u> less engaged "rejecting" lack of interest and increased distance. "Whatever is fine" "You're on your own"



Time Management

	Urgent	Not Urgent
Important	Activities: Crises, Pressing Problems, Deadline-Driven Projects	Activities: PC Activities, Relationship Building, Planning, Recreation
Not Important	Activities: Interruptions, Some Calls, Some Emails, Some Reports, Some meeting	IV Activities: Busy Work, Some Calls, Some Emails, Time Wasters

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Group Questions:

- · Where have you seen modeled...
 - I Authoritative Parenting
 - II Demanding Parenting
 - III Permissive Parenting
 - IV Neglectful Parenting

Questions Diagnosing Warmth:

- How much do you tell your child you love them?
- · How do you show them?
- How close are you; or how well do you know your child?
- How much do you hug?
- Do you know their love language? Are you filling that tank?
- How often do you tell them no, regarding doing something they want to do with you?

Questions Diagnosing Expectations:

- How much do you monitor your child's content?
- · How much do you monitor your child's friends?
- How much do you monitor your child's activities?
- Are you clear in what you ask them to do?
- · Are you consistent in following up and following through?

Biblical Examples of Warmth and Expectation:

John 4 - Samaritan woman at the well

John 21 - You, follow Me...

Luke 9:23 - Take up your cross and follow me...

Matthew 28:18-20 Make Disciples/Never Leaves us

Matthew 20:16 - The first shall be last Philippians 2

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. ³ He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.