



Week 2: Discipline is Discipleship - June 17

Text: Hebrews 12:5-11

Topic: Discipline, Training

Big Idea of the Message: 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.

Questions from the Text:

1. What problem within all children necessitates their need for discipline?
2. What is the difference between punishment and discipline? How could this difference influence the way you parent?
3. 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?
4. Do you tend to be more comfortable with communication or the rod for correction? What can you do to avoid imbalance in this area?
5. How can you pray for each other?

Challenge from the Message:

1. What are some ways that you are parenting passively and need to change over the summer? Children do what they are allowed to get away with. How can you change your behavior that will ultimately change their behavior?
2. How can you teach your kids not only what they did wrong but why what they did is wrong?
3. Of the 7 steps to see discipline as discipleship, which one do you need to improve?:
 1. Confirm what God wants from you – discipline
 2. Talk openly about what has happened
 3. Seek wisdom and correction from scripture
 4. Focus your mind on God's love
 5. Express your heart and help discern discipline
 6. Calmly deliver the consequences
 7. Affirm your child