



DO NOT PROVOKE YOUR CHILDREN TO ANGER

Part 2: Give Children Law to
Live By

Children Cannot Set Their Own Rules

- ◆ Even adults are incapable of doing so – Jer. 10:23-24
 - ◆ Making our own rules is a serious problem today!
 - ◆ One can only find the way to live by looking to God.
- ◆ Parents are failing to establish godly rules and boundaries on electronic devices and the internet
 - ◆ Much of what we see today is from children having unfiltered, unchaperoned, and unlimited access to these
 - ◆ Kids are growing up without social skills or understanding of how life works.
 - ◆ Parents are opening the door for their child's addiction to porn and exposure to perverse ways of life and thinking.

Children Need Parental Law to Live By

- ◆ Children require the oversight, guidance, and rules provided by their parents.
 - ◆ Godly parents will demand obedience for their child's good— Eph. 6:1-3
 - ◆ Children need the foundation of a godly path to follow through this difficult, fearful, period of their lives.
- ◆ Parental law requires accountability – Prov. 13:24; Heb. 12:7-11
- ◆ Establishing godly rules and enforcing them are difficult to do!
 - ◆ You get out of parenting what you put in – Prov. 22:6
 - ◆ You cannot “fold” despite the groaning, whining, crying!
 - ◆ You must set boundaries for devices and the internet!

Children Need To God's Law To Live By

- ◆ Children were not created to live out their lives by their parents' rules and oversight.
 - ◆ Children need much more.
 - ◆ Parents must teach their children to know and love God's law – Deut. 6:6-9; Eph. 6:4.
- ◆ Children need to love God's law
 - ◆ They need to see its real value for their life – Psa. 1:1-3; 119:97, 165
 - ◆ They need witness its value in their parents—in your obedience to God, relationships, career, etc.
- ◆ Children need to be accountable to God's law for their good – Eccl. 8:11; 11:9-10; 2 Thess. 1:6-8