

# WISE PARENTING:

Guidelines from the Book of Proverbs

PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLINE	BIBLICAL REFERENCES
<b>LEVEL 1: TEACHING THE GUIDELINES</b>	
<b>Principle:</b> Teaching Appropriate Behavior	Proverbs 1:8-9; 2:1-22; 3:1-35; 4:1-13; 6:20-26; 7:1-5; 8:1-36; 23:24-25
<b>Principle:</b> Inform of Improper Behavior	Proverbs 1:10-19; 4:14-27; 6:1-19; 7:6-21; 9:13-18; 22:24-25; 23:26-28
<b>Principle:</b> Explain the Negative Consequences of Disobedience	Proverbs 1:10-33; 5:1-23; 6:26-35; 7:22-27; 9:17-18; 10:1; 13:18; 14:14; 16:18, 26; 17:20; 18:13; 23:10-12; 24:17-20
<b>LEVEL 2: REITERATING THE GUIDELINES</b>	
<b>Principle:</b> Give Appropriate Warnings	Proverbs 1:7, 15, 19, 22, 28, 31-33; 2:11-19, 22; 3:7, 11; 4:2, 5-6, 14-19, 23-27; 5:3-16, 21-23; 6:1-5, 9-15, 25-35; 7:24-27; 8:33-36; 9:13-18; 10:1-24:34; 26:17-29:27; 31:2-9
<b>LEVEL 3: ENFORCING THE GUIDELINES</b>	
<b>Principle:</b> A Reprimand and non-Corporal Punishment	Proverbs 1:8; 3:12; 4:1-2, 10-27; 5:1-2; 6:1-5, 20-35; 7:1-5, 24-27; 23:22-23:24:24-25; 25:12; 28:23; 27:5-6)
<b>Principle:</b> A Reprimand and Non-Abusive Corporal Punishment	Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 23:13-14; 29:15
<b>BEYOND A PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY: GOVERNMENT'S JOB</b>	
<b>WARNING!</b>	
<b>LEVEL 4: BEYOND THE RULES. GOVERNMENT'S ROLE IN DISCIPLINE</b>	
<b>Principle:</b> Continued Disobedience Brings Severe Punishment	Proverbs 10:31; 20:30
<b>Principle:</b> The Ultimate Punishment for Severe, Continual Disobedience is Death	Proverbs 19:18 (cf. Deuteronomy 21:18-21)

