

EMPOWERING PARENTS...across the life span

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Overview

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.
Proverbs 22:6

Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. Colossians
3:2

To color our children's lives in a way that empowers them to reach their full potential.
As they mature, they'll become independent of us & dependent on God.

Four "Parent Traps"

- Trap 1: _____ Colossians 3:21
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 - ..An attempt to change our world.
 - ..To control what we've not been able to control.
 - ..A cry for change.

- Trap 2: _____ Ephesians 4:29
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 - ..A dysfunctional communication pattern which grows out of contention, not cooperation.
 - ..It is emotion, not reason. It is a power struggle. Stop and withdraw!

- Trap 3: _____ Ephesians 4:29
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 - ..Is a rejection. The opposite of acceptance.
 - ..Is destructive (always!).
 - ..Wears mask of "perfectionism":
 - ..Unrealistic expectations = dissatisfaction, disappointment, feelings of inadequacy & guilt.

- Trap 4: _____ Proverbs 12:22; Ephesians 4:15
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 - ..When we make a promise or threaten consequence and not follow through.
 - ..How kids see us when they know we don't follow through on what we say! We "train" them to see us as liars.
 - ..Destroys credibility.

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