

LIFE-Groups

Growth Assignment—Week #29

God's Discipline—Heb 12:4-13

As we looked at the way that God's disciplines us, we also have to ask the question, "How are we to discipline our children?" This week, we want to look at what Hebrews says about God's discipline and make practical application to the discipline of our children.

LET'S REVIEW—When you think of God's discipline as a demonstration of His love, how does that make you feel about God's love toward you?

ACCEPTED AS SONS—the writer of Hebrews 12:7-10 speaks about the reality of our fathers disciplining us. When you were younger what were some ways that you were disciplined by your father?

What does the writer say about discipline and being a son?

Is that idea something that is hard to accept in our culture today? Why?

What is the writer trying to tell us about God and His discipline of us?

What does this say about our disciplining of our children?

How does disciplining your child help them to show respect?

IT'S GOOD FOR YOU—The writer of Hebrews says that discipline was done by our parents "as they thought best." What were some of the ways that discipline can be seen as best? Some of the ways that it can be seen as worst?

Read Eph 6:1-4; Col 3:20,21: What are some ways that a father can exasperate/embitter their children?

What are the ways that we bring them up in the training (discipline) and nurture of the Lord?

In the message, we looked at **CONSISTENCY** and **CONSEQUENCES** in discipline. How important do you see these things?

What do you see as most important when you discipline your children?

In vs 11 it speaks about discipline as not seeming pleasant but painful at the time. Must discipline be painful in order to have the proper consequences and results?

Repentance—

Restoration—

Reconciliation—

IT'S BENEFICIAL FOR YOU—Hebrews gives to us some of the benefits that we receive when God disciplines us. What are some of the benefits that we get from being disciplined by God?

"Later On" - what does it mean when it says this about discipline? How is it difficult for the person disciplining?

How are each of the benefits given in Hebrews important in our discipline?

A Harvest Of Righteousness -

Peace

Have Been Trained

In light of what we have studied, How should we view discipline by God? What does this say about disciplining our children?