

Child Training II — Introduction

From Dedication to Bar Mitzvah and on to Adulthood

The starting point of child training is Mal 4:6 — the ending point is Rev 14:1-5. Our Father wants a generation that is upright and pure, able to be totally devoted to His purpose. He has ordained the institutions of marriage, family, and government in order to bring about His purpose on the Earth.

Institute — to ordain, establish, originate, begin, constitute, appoint, organize, erect, found as an elementary and necessary principle. The institutions of marriage and family are recognized as having been established authoritatively by God, both within the Edah and without. The way a man maintains the integrity of these institutions, which are instinctively known to all men (Rom 2:14-15), will determine his Eternal Destiny. The natural law, based on Gen 3:16-19 and 9:1-7, is written in the heart of every man (Gen 3:22), and the keeping of this law establishes the Everlasting Covenant in Isa 24:5-6.

An *institution* is an established order, as marriage, family, and government are instituted by God who is the God of order and not confusion. These will be maintained in any society where 1 Pet 2:12-15 prevails. But where man breaks this order (Isa 24:5), society breaks down also. God has established this covenant until the age ends, and it ends because it is violated after the Holy Nation is established (Mt 21:43; 24:14).

Authority is the right to command — rightful power. Parental authority is authorized by God, not by the State or any other institution. The State does not authorize parents to discipline their children. Parental authority is an *inalienable* right from the Creator.

These teachings, which light the way from dedication to *Bar Mitzvah*, and on to adulthood, should be taught to even our older youth before they marry and have children they do not know what to do with or how to handle and control. This will foster their inborn, inherent instincts to parent, if there is any left in man today (1 Tim 3:4; 2 Tim 3:2; Col 3:20-21).