

Child Training II

Part 1: The Responsibility of Parents

This teaching is to the parents of the Edah, to help them better understand their role as parents, and their accountability, authority, and responsibility. It is to explain the nature of their children and their different stages of development.

Parents must understand the two distinct phases in child training:

- 1) Control
- 2) Teaching

The control phase is the establishment of the parents' rights of rulership over the will of their children. When parents can control their children, they have laid the necessary foundation for obedience and teaching them the commandments. Then their children will be able to become sons and daughters of the commandment (Jn 14:21,23,24).

The teaching phase can only be accomplished by parents who have first trained their children to obey. Before a child will receive the instruction of his parents, he must first respect their word, and before he will respect his parents' word, he must first become obedient from the heart. Children will not accept instruction from those whom they do not respect. The commandment for children to honor their father and mother is fulfilled when children respect their parents enough to accept their advice and instructions in wisdom.

Pr 22:6 is *absolute* if parents are *obedient* from the heart to their Father in heaven. The parents must accept the commandments in scripture as absolute truth and infinitely superior to any human method or system of child training or thinking. There can be no compromise by an attempt to modify the word of God found in the scriptures, to make it compatible with any human philosophies, psychology, sociology, religious views, or public opinion. God's word is to be accepted *absolutely* without human adulterations. The word is living and powerful and is relevant today more than any other period of human history.

Even the nations are responsible and held accountable for child training, following the path of their fathers in Gen 3:19, training their children to walk in the way of Abel, Seth, Noah,

etc. (Gen 3:16-19; 9:1-7). The natural law in the heart of all mankind concerns child training. Only those with depraved minds do not train and discipline their children to obey their conscience (Heb 12:7-10; Rom 1:28-31). Rom 2:14-15 is the natural law; even nature teaches men in the nations who have neither the Old Testament nor the New Testament.

But only the Holy people (God's very own people) are responsible for Eph 6:4 — to raise their children in the nurture and admonition of Yahweh. They are the light for the nations, now and forever and ever (Mt 5:14-16; Rev 21:24,26; 22:2), for the Holy will reign with Messiah forever and ever over the nations (Mt 25:34; the Holy are "these brothers of mine").

The time has come where parents have virtually no control over their children. This lack of control is evidenced in the flagrant disrespect shown even by very young children, and by the intense parental frustration and the inability of parents to train their children into adults who keep the Everlasting Covenant in Isa 24:5-6. They do not accept the covenant of conscience as their very own, much less the ability to pass this Everlasting Covenant on to their own children. The Everlasting Covenant is no longer so everlasting, but has *run out*, with only a few men left on Earth. But all who did keep this covenant will be judged worthy of a Second Life in the Eternal Kingdom of the saved nations.

This teaching on child training is not just to produce good parents who train their children to obey them, but is the only way to produce the Male Child in Rev 12, the 12,000 from each one of the twelve tribes (Rev 7:5-8).

Child training produces the *nation* of 1 Pet 2:9-10, God's holy people living in harmony and oneness within the holy nation. This creates a national identity under the New Covenant law of love, both in marriage and in working with our own hands to provide a living for ourselves, that God may be honored (1 Ths 4:10-12).

But when parents fail in properly training their children, every other thing within this national entity disintegrates and eventually the nation itself is destroyed (1 Cor 3:16-17). Parents destroy the nation by not learning the child training teachings and applying what they learn for

the future health and welfare of the great nation that is to be. Jer 31:1 — To be the God of every family will take absolute obedience to His word concerning family life and raising children.

We have seen the destruction of this nation by Christianity today. The salt and the light becoming corrupt has caused also the destruction of western civilization (Rev 19:2). We can readily see the disunity of families in the so-called church people who call themselves believers in God through Jesus Christ. They are unable to attain to God's general purpose to live in harmony. Denominationalism is proof — no one on Earth today, including Christians, has been able to find the purpose they were created for. The very purpose of their existence has been lost in the confusion of Babylon the Great.

Only through child training, the essence being Mal 4:6, fulfilling Jer 31:1 and Isa 53:10-11, is the restoration of all things going to come about — the restoration of 1 Pet 2:9 and the glorification of God the Father in Messiah Yahshua, His Son. Mal 4:6 is both parents living in harmony with one heart and mind in accomplishing Jer 31:1 as the light of the nations (Isa 49:6). First the father's heart must be turned to his child. Only by this is Mal 3:18 fulfilled. There is no holy nation without Mal 4:6. The holy nation is distinguished from the rest who claim to be God's people.

Children will be children as long as parents are not in control. If parents truly live by the word of God, they will be in control of their children and then teach them to reach God's intended purpose and objective. Eph 2:10 — For parents these good works were prepared for them to do. If you are a parent, your good works are *ahead of you* to do — Pr 22:6. If you are a parent, you are the father or mother of a child who is dependent on you to achieve Pr 22:6. If your child did not reach this objective, you did not train him up right. You were disobedient, first to dedicate him at 40 days, and then to raise him up to receive the Holy Spirit at *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*. Your child is dependent upon you to train him up in *the way* he should go (Gen 18:19). He is dependent upon your support, protection, and guidance.

On Becoming a Parent in the World

There are many conflicting theories about child training that even reputed experts disagree with each other about. What does Dr. Spock say? Everyone has his own opinion on how children should be raised. 2 Tim 3:2-5, as well as Rom 1:29-30, indicate that the world will be in total confusion on the subject at the end of the age. Some psychologists think that parents should just sit down with their child and reason things out together, as if the child were an adult who had been well trained up in the way of good reason. Isa 1:16-18 — *Come now and let us reason together* only after you have *proved* your good upbringing. Psychologists are very stupid and worthless persons. Only worthless people think to major in this subject in the first place.

Society has adopted the concept of children's rights. This philosophy holds that the child is to be treated as an equal in society, in the school, and even in the family. There also exists today those who advocate the theory that parental use of physical discipline constitutes child abuse. This causes parents to question their right to discipline their own children. Also there are some with the confused view of love that equates love with permissiveness. This, of course, produces uncontrollable teenagers/youth — *even in the Edah this evil spirit still exists* (1 Cor 11:29).

Higher education has produced this confusion about the standard of child training. "Reputed Experts" do not agree except to disagree, and all parents must be convinced in their own mind that what they do is right. So many parents have developed their own way, their own system of child training, everyone doing what is right in their own mind or eyes. Even in the Edah these kind of people exist or have existed among us. Such people have developed their own method of child training, like *behavior modification* and *permissiveness*, mixed with the use of force when all else fails. But how do they know when their system is correct? They did not consider when they got married that the physical ability to have children did not alone qualify them for the almost lifelong task of properly rearing children. Mal 2:15 — *What are godly offspring?*

So where do parents obtain proper child training to give God these *godly offspring*? One must first take heed to his spirit, not dealing unfaithfully with the wife of his youth (Mal 2:14-15), for she is his *companion*, his wife by *covenant*. Godly offspring can only come by a love covenant. *Companion* describes a permanent partnership, by *covenant*. The union of a marriage is formal, public, legal, and sacred — a binding contract, making them one. Godly offspring can come only from two becoming one, and *both taking heed to their spirit*.

Proper training of their children is not by the trial and error method, trying to avoid the mistakes their own parents made with them. As parents you have only one chance with each child. You spend a major part of your life raising a child, and some have 5 to 9 children, and all that effort is painfully wasted unless they are trained from dedication to *Bar Mitzvah* to house the Holy Spirit, as God's very own Body.

You are to be *completely satisfied* and *confident* that your child will be entrusted with the Holy Spirit at *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*. You are satisfied that you know how to handle that one chance with each of your children *to this end*. What is the cost to your children and to yourself if you fail to train them up to that *only way*? (Gen 18:19; Pr 22:6).

Shoresh: My wife wears herself out for her children, totally laying down her life for them, and she cannot do otherwise. That is why it is such a serious thing for a child to be disrespectful to his imma. The fathers must diligently deal with this disrespect, building respect in the child's heart for his imma.