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## SERMON OUTLINE

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### Being the Parent

#### Various Proverbs

- Review – Foundational Parenting issue – God’s first goal is to shape me as I parent. Then God can help me shape my child.
  - Main Point: A parent must teach to give wisdom and discipline to enforce and shape character.
- I. **Teach to give wisdom**
- A. **Teaching and Listening** – God intends children to learn from their parents wisdom (1:8; 4:1; 5:1; 6:20; Deuteronomy 6: 1-9).
- B. **Submitting** – God intends children to obey their parents (8:32; 15:5, 31; 16:20; 19:16, 27; 5:11-13; Ephesians 6:1-4).
- II. **Discipline to enforce and shape character**
- A. Why: The Purposes of Discipline
- So that you can enjoy your children (10:1; 23:15, 25; 29:17)
  - To spare the child consequences (19:18; 15:10; 29:1; 23:14)
- B. Why and How: The Atmosphere of Discipline: Love
- Love (3:11-12; 13:23)
  - Not retaliation (29:22; 24:29; Colossians 3:21)
  - Self-Controlled (15:1; 29:11)
- C. How: The Process of Discipline
- Verbal discipline – Instructions are the first and major method of discipline. If a child responds to rebuke, no further discipline is needed (13:13).
  - Natural or logical consequences – When verbal instructions are not followed, natural or logical consequences follow (10:8; 15:5; 29:1).
  - Corporal Punishment – When younger children defy and resist other forms of correction, obedience must be carefully and lovingly enforced (13:24; 20:30; 29:15, 17).