

THE PRODUCT OF DISCIPLINE

Scripture: HEBREWS 12:11

INTRODUCTION

DISCIPLINE IS NOT SOMETHING WE LOOK FORWARD TO EXPERIENCING. WE'D RATHER LIVE A LIFE WITHOUT DISCIPLINE; HOWEVER, DISCIPLINE PRODUCES CHRISTLIKENESS.

I. DISCIPLINE

1 TIMOTHY 4:8 KJV FOR BODILY EXERCISE PROFITETH LITTLE: BUT GODLINESS IS PROFITABLE UNTO ALL THINGS, HAVING PROMISE OF THE LIFE THAT NOW IS AND OF THAT WHICH IS TO COME.

- A. THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF DISCIPLINE
 - 1. PUT ON THE ARMOR OF GOD - EPHESIANS 6:10-17
 - 2. PRAY - 1 THESSALONIANS 5:17; 1 TIMOTHY 2:8
 - 3. STUDY THE WORD - 2 TIMOTHY 2:15
 - 4. GIVE - 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-9
 - 5. WITNESS - MARK 16:15; ACTS 1:8
- B. THE NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF DISCIPLINE
 - 1. REBUKE
 - 2. PUNISHMENT

II. REPROOF

PROVERBS 15:31-32 KJV THE EAR THAT HEARETH THE REPROOF OF LIFE ABIDETH AMONG THE WISE. HE THAT REFUSETH INSTRUCTION DISPISETH HIS OWN SOUL: BUT THAT HEARETH REPROOF GETTETH UNDERSTANDING.

- A. REPROOF DEFINED: TO CENSURE FOR A FAULT, REPRIMAND, REBUKE
- B. HOW DO WE HANDLE IT
- C. WHAT DO WE DO WITH IT
- D. HOW DO WE LOOK AT IT
 - 1. STOICISM - I DON'T CARE ATTITUDE
 - 2. BITTERNESS

III. ACCEPTANCE

PROVERBS 15:5 KJV A FOOL DESPISETH HIS FATHER'S INSTRUCTION: BUT HE THAT REGARDETH REPROOF IS PRUDENT.

PROVERBS 29:1 KJV HE, THAT BEING OFTEN REPROVED HARDENETH HIS NECK, SHALL SUDDENLY BE DESTROYED, AND THAT WITHOUT REMEDY.

GALATIANS 6:1 KJV BRETHREN, IF A MAN BE OVERTAKEN IN A FAULT, YE WHICH ARE SPIRITUAL, RESTORE SUCH AN ONE IN THE SPIRIT OF MEEKNESS; CONSIDERING THYSELF, LEST YE BE TEMPTED.

- A. BRINGS CHANGE INTO OUR LIFE
- B. BEGINS THE PROCESS OF RESTORATION