

SESSION 3

Raising Responsible Sons | Years 8-14



A BRIEF WORD ABOUT GENDER AND PARENTING

- Be biblical
- Allow for individuality
- Be self-aware
- A brief word about AUTHORITY:

Relational: I _____ the _____ to be heard.

Positional: You _____ as unto the Lord.

The goal is not _____, but faith in God in matters that I cannot yet understand.

AUTHORITY SUMMARIZED : DO THIS.

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CULTIVATING RESPONSIBILITY IN THE HEART OF A BOY

Why it's so important

Goals for this season

KEY STEPS IN THE PROCESS

1. Create a culture of responsibility.
2. Give him specific responsibilities—equip him to succeed—and give him feedback on the quality of his work.
3. Allow others to suffer / be inconvenienced when he fails.
4. Give him a wise guide (you) and help connect him to other wise guides.
5. Give him a vocabulary before he needs it.
6. Let him suffer for his own foolishness (appropriate for his age).
7. Help him begin to discover what kinds of things he is gifted to do.
8. Lead his mom to accept some wider boundaries, especially around managing (keeping him from) failure.
9. Protect him from the Immoral Woman until he is old enough to protect himself.
10. Read the signs and predict his future.
11. Banish shame from the equation.