

Parenting by Design's Principles and Practice Seminars

Lesson 1: Parenting Styles and Methods

Many of us have adopted a hodge-podge style of parenting that comes from the advice and input of our own parents, friends, books, and the culture around us. In this lesson, we'll help you identify your current parenting style and see how it compares to the perfect parenting style of God.

Lesson 2: The Three "E"s of Parenting

In this lesson, you'll see how your kids really learn - through experience, example and empathetic self-exploration. Through this lesson you will understand why lectures, commands and nagging tend to fall on deaf ears, and why giving your kids more choices and consequences actually accelerates the learning process.

Lesson 3: The Parent's Role

Many parents are confused about their role in today's family. In Lesson 3, we'll focus on God's example as the central authority in our lives and how you can emulate God's authoritative parenting characteristics in your home.

Lesson 4: Making a Change in Parenting Styles

In this lesson, we'll show you how to make positive changes in your parenting style and give you some help to avoid lapsing back into old behavior patterns.

Lesson 5: Developmental Stages

When it comes to parenting, understanding the developmental stages of your children is vital! In this lesson, we'll study the relational, intellectual and moral challenges God gives kids at each stage of their development so that you can better understand and parent them.

Lesson 6: Choices

Few parents realize how important it is that kids have the chance to make choices in their lives. It is primarily through this process that children gain the experience they need to be successful adults. This lesson explores some practical ways you can give your children appropriate choices at each stage of their development.

Lesson 7: Consequences

Part of growing up is learning to deal with the consequences of our choices. In Lesson 7, we'll help equip you to deliver appropriate consequences for your children's behavior consistently and empathetically.

Lesson 8: Empathy

In this lesson, we'll focus on empathy, the glue that holds the Parenting by Design curriculum together. Without empathy, none of the Parenting by Design principles work effectively!