

The 12 Tasks of an Effective Father

Task #3—Discipline "Do not allow what God prohibits, or prohibit what God allows."

Hebrew 12:5-11, Proverbs 29:15

Questions April 13, 2001

- 1. Did you grow up in an *open* or *closed* system? Describe a memory that illustrates what it was like in your home.
- 2. What does each of the following verses say about the importance of disciplining our children. . .

Proverbs 22:15		
Proverbs 29:12		
Proverbs 29:15		
Proverbs 13:24		
Proverbs 23:14-15		
Hebrews 12:5-11		

- 3. Which of the ideas presented this morning appealed to you most, and why?
 - Open System—establish clear boundaries and rules, but with freedom
 - Obedience—require first time obedience
 - Punishment—discipline both the action and the attitude
 - Responsibility—help children take responsibility for the outcome of their choices
 - Self-Control—punishment is for the child's benefit, not the parents
 - Positive Reinforcement—Affirm actions and attitudes that show children learning
- 4. What is one thing you want to differently beginning today?