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August 11 - The Biggest Influence on Kids' Lives Today

August 18 - The Best Parenting Style According to the Data

August 25 - A Parenting Book By an Atheist You Should Read

September 1 - Three Strategies I'm Using Right Now

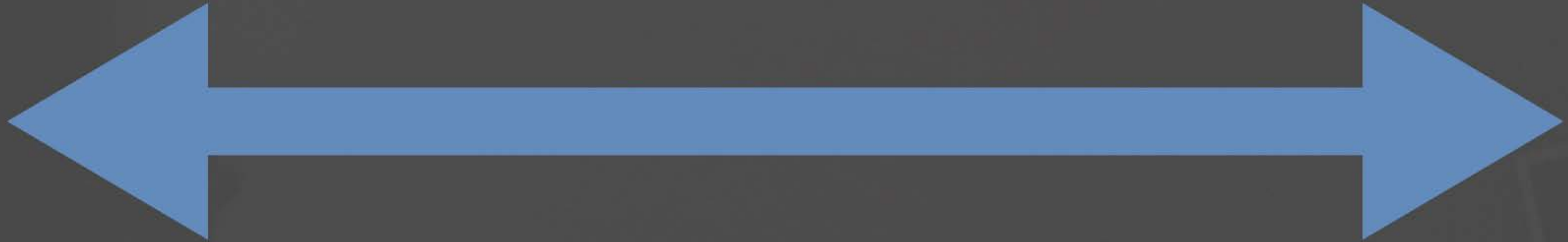
September 8 - Parenting From a Place of Rest

Baumrind's Three Parenting Styles

1. Authoritarian
2. Authoritative
3. Permissive
4. Neglectful

Authoritarian

Permissive



“Strict”

“Soft”

Key Elements of Gentle Parenting

- Empathy
- Understanding
- Healthy boundaries
- Respect



Positive Parenting/Gentle Parenting

- nurturing growth through positive reinforcement & open communication
- emphasizes warm emotional connection between parent & child
- in touch w/feelings and emotional health of child
- focuses on building trust through respectful communication
- avoids criticism/punishment as much as possible, especially more severe forms like spanking or yelling

Authoritative Style

- High on expectations AND high on warmth
- High on discipline AND high on emotional responsiveness
- Caring but not indulging
- Sets clear boundaries but encourages freedom within
- Firm in convictions but flexible in applications

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Principles of Authoritative Style in the Proverbs

1. Authority - The parent is responsible to "train children"
2. Wisdom - The parent is to train children "in the right way"

What is "the right way"?

- Diligence and industriousness (6:6-11; 11:27; 12:24; 13:4; 15:19; 18:9; 19:24; 20:4, 13; 21:5; 22:13; 26:13-16)
- Justice (11:1; 16:11; 17:23; 20:10, 23; 31:8-9)
- Kindness (11:17)
- Generosity (11:24; 19:6)
- Self-control of speech (12:18; 13:3; 21:23)
- Self-control of temper (14:17, 29; 15:18; 16:32; 19:11)
- Righteousness (12:21, 28; 14:34)
- Truthfulness and honesty (12:22; 16:13; 24:26)
- Discretion in choosing friends (13:20; 18:24)
- Discretion in choosing spouse (18:22; 31:10-31)
- Caution and prudence (14:16; 27:12)
- Gentleness (15:1, 4)
- Contentment (15:16-17; 16:8; 17:1)
- Integrity of character (15:27; 28:18)
- Humility (16:19; 18:12; 22:4)
- Graciousness (16:24)
- Forthrightness (16:30; 17:20)
- Restraint (17:14, 27-28; 18:6-7; 29:20)
- Friendship (17:17)
- Purity (20:9; 22:11)
- Pursuit of what is good and right (20:29)
- Skillfulness in work (22:29)
- Patience (25:15)

**How *authoritative* should
I be about their faith?**

Balanced - Not too hands-off
but not too overbearing either

**How intense should I be
about my *personal* faith?**

Priority - Indisputable intensity
with imperfect integrity

**How should I approach
faith conversations?**

Cooperatively -
Parent initiated but Kid led

**What's the "authoritative"
approach to *discipline*?**

Righteous - Discipline is fair,
predictable, and benevolent

What about my marriage?

Synergized -

Two parents, one faith, all in



Better Marriage Event

Sept 3rd | 6:30-8:00pm
Student Center Venue B



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**Who else should
I engage in this?**

**Village - Grandparents
and churches have power**

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3. Vision - The parent has a vision for lifelong faithfulness.

2 Timothy 1:5, 3:14-15

I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you ... But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you.

2 Timothy 1:5, 3:14-15

You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus.

Acts 16:1

Paul went first to Derbe and then to Lystra, where there was a young disciple named Timothy. His mother was a Jewish believer, but his father was a Greek.