

“Overcoming Fear... and What is Discipline?”

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Hebrews 12:5-6 (AMP)

[5] And have you [completely] forgotten the divine word of appeal and encouragement in which you are reasoned with and addressed as sons? My son, do not think lightly or scorn to submit to the correction and discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage and give up and faint when you are reproved or corrected by Him; [6] For the Lord corrects and disciplines everyone whom He loves, and He punishes, even scourges, every son whom He accepts and welcomes to His heart and cherishes.

Acts 10:38 (NIV)

[38] how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

1 John 3:8 (NIV)

[8] He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

Family of words

> In Strong's Concordance:

#3809 - Instruction

#3810 - Correction

#3811 - Discipline

> **#3809 comes out of #3811**

(Strong's)

> **They work in harmony**

**To be free from past Abuse, and/or
Fear of Discipline.**

***1. We will need to allow a
Loving God to slide us further
toward knowledge and away
from emotions.***

2. Separate God from your Abusers.

**> “God is not a Man”
(Numbers 23:19a)**

3. God doesn't think/behave like people.

Hebrews 12:10 (AMP)

[10] For [our earthly fathers] disciplined us for only a short period of time and chastised us as seemed proper and good to them; but He disciplines us for our certain good, that we may become sharers in His own holiness.

4. God is not trying to subtract from your worth, esteem, value, purpose, etc. (John 3:17 - condemnation)

> He's working on adding to you.

***5. He's trying to get us to stop the things that are going to kill us / bring death.....
(Romans 6:23).***

6. It's not about him knocking us down, or getting us to learn our place under him.

> He takes pleasure in our prosperity/success.

(Ps. 35:27)

***7. He is just trying to strip off
what will stop us from being
prosperous and successful.***

(Matt. 5:1-12)

8. Remember: the only reason we are disciplined, is because we have a stubborn, selfish, rebellious streak.

(Hebrews 12:1-6)

9. With God, it's not about him getting his way, or making us submit.

> It's about Fathering us, and doing everything he can to produce Righteousness / the Kingdom / Life in us.

(Romans 8)

Romans 8:12-17 (NIV)

[12] Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation—but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it. [13] For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, [14] because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

[15] For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." [16] **The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.** [17] **Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.**

**So HOW does God
discipline?
(What is God's discipline?)**

(#1) Mostly Verbal

(#2) Change in relationship >

Illegitimate & Bride.

- Illegitimate has more to do with
now**
- Bride has more to do with
heaven**

WHY does he discipline?

1. That one we already know: It's all sin related.

(Hebrews 12, Rev. 3)

**HOW do I know if what is happening
in my life is God**

Disciplining me or not?

**> First question you ask yourself
and the Holy Spirit:**

- AM I IN WILLFUL SIN

SOMEPLACE IN MY LIFE?

WHAT is not discipline?

**1. Sickness, Disease, Tragedy,
Misfortune, Poverty, Car accidents,
Bad things happening, Etc.**

**> THERE IS NOT NEW TESTAMENT
SCRIPTURAL EVIDENCE THAT GOD
USES THESE THINGS TO DISCIPLINE
OR PUNISH US.**

HOW do we know what is God's discipline, and what is not?

- 1. By the Scripture.**
- 2. By the Holy Spirit.**

2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)

**[15] Study to shew thyself
approved unto God, a workman
that needeth not to be ashamed,
rightly dividing the word of truth.**

John 14:16-17 (NIV)

[16] And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— [17] the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

John 14:26 (NIV)

[26] But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

(G3811) - Discipline:

Hebrews 12:6 (NIV)

**[6] because the Lord disciplines
("chasteneth" - KJV) those he
loves, and he punishes ("scourgeth" -
KJV) everyone he accepts as a son."**

(G3811) - Discipline:

Hebrews 12:7 (NIV)

[7] Endure [hardship as] discipline (Instruction); God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father?

(#1)

Luke 23:16 (NKJV)

**[16] “I will therefore chastise
Him and release Him”**

Luke 23:22 (NKJV)

[22] Then he said to them the third time, “Why, what evil has He done? I have found no reason for death in Him. I will therefore chastise Him and let Him go.”

(#3)

Luke 23:16 (NKJV)

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(#4)

Luke 23:22 (NKJV)

[22] Then he said to them the third time, “Why, what evil has He done? I have found no reason for death in Him. I will therefore chastise Him and let Him go.”

(#5)

Acts 7:21-22 (NKJV)

[21] “But when he was set out, Pharaoh's daughter took him away and brought him up as her own son. [22] “And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and deeds.

(#6)

Acts 22:3 (NKJV)

[3] “I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, taught according to the strictness of our fathers’ law, and was zealous toward God as you all are today.

(#7)

1 Corinthians 11:32 (NKJV)

**[32] But when we are judged,
we are chastened by the Lord,
that we may not be
condemned with the world.**

1 Corinthians 11:29-34 (AMP)

[29] For anyone who eats and drinks without discriminating and recognizing with due appreciation that [it is Christ's] body, eats and drinks a sentence (a verdict of judgment) upon himself. [30] That [careless and unworthy participation] is the reason many of you are weak and sickly, and quite enough of you have fallen into the sleep of death.

[31] For if we searchingly examined ourselves [detecting our shortcomings and recognizing our own condition], we should not be judged and penalty decreed [by the divine judgment].

[32] But when we [fall short and] are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined and chastened, so that we may not [finally] be condemned [to eternal punishment along] with the world.

[33] So then, my brothers, when you gather together to eat [the Lord's Supper], wait for one another. [34] If anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, lest you come together to bring judgment [on yourselves]. About the other matters, I will give you directions [personally] when I come.

**IT'S NOT GOD PUTTING THIS ON THEM.
IT'S NOT GOD KILLING THEM.
IT'S SIMPLY GOD NOT GIVING THE KEYS
FOR THE CAR TO A STUBBORN,
REBELLIOUS KID.**

**> THE POWER IS NOT BEING MADE
AVAILABLE.....**

(#8)

2 Corinthians 6:4-10 (NKJV)

[4] But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses,

[5] in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; [6] by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love,

[7] by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, [8] by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; [9] as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; [10] as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

(#9)

1 Timothy 1:18-20 (NKJV)

[18] This charge I commit to you, son Timothy, according to the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may wage the good warfare, [19] having faith and a good conscience, which some having rejected, concerning the faith have suffered shipwreck, [20] of whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I delivered to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme.

(#10)

1 Timothy 1:20 (AMP)

[20] Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have delivered to Satan in order that they may be disciplined [by punishment and learn] not to blaspheme.

(#11)

2 Timothy 2:25 (NKJV)

**[25] in humility correcting (KJV -
“instructing”) those who are in
opposition, if God perhaps will grant
them repentance, so that they may
know the truth,**

(#12)

Titus 2:11-12 (NKJV)

[11] For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, [12] teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

Titus 2:12 (AMP)

[12] It has trained us to reject and renounce all ungodliness (irreligion) and worldly (passionate) desires, to live discreet (temperate, self-controlled), upright, devout (spiritually whole) lives in this present world,

(#13)

Hebrews 12:6-7 (NKJV)

**[6] For whom the LORD loves He chastens,
And scourges every son whom He receives.”**

**[7] If you endure chastening (#3809), God
deals with you as with sons; for what son is
there whom a father does not
chasten?**

(#14 & #15)

Hebrews 12:10 (NKJV)

[10] For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness.

Hebrews 12:10 (AMP)

[10] For [our earthly fathers] disciplined us for only a short period of time and chastised us as seemed proper and good to them; but He disciplines us for our certain good, that we may become sharers in His own holiness.

(#16)

Revelation 3:19 (NKJV)

[19] “As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent.

- “Rebuke” is #1651 > Same word used for conviction in John 16:8.**

Revelation 3:19 (AMP)

[19] Those whom I [dearly and tenderly] love, I tell their faults and convict and convince and reprove and chasten [I discipline and instruct them]. So be enthusiastic and in earnest and burning with zeal and repent [changing your mind and attitude]. [Pr 3:12.]