

# SHOOTING STRAIGHT

ABOUT PARENTING

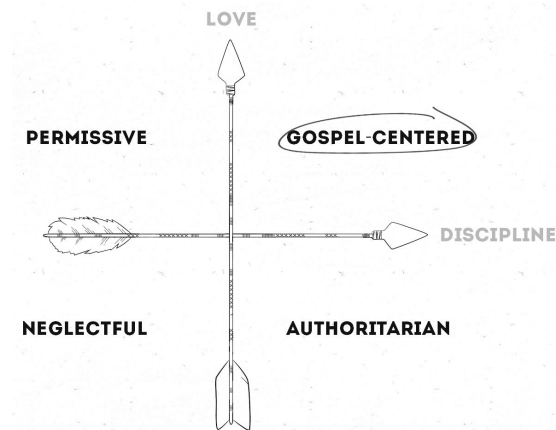
## PARENTS ARE LIKE WARRIORS (SHOOTING STRAIGHT 2)

PSALM 127

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### GROUP DISCUSSION

1. DISCUSS HOW PARENTING FEELS LIKE A WAR IN YOUR HOME. WHAT WAYS ARE YOU FIGHTING FOR YOUR KIDS' HEARTS IN YOUR HOMES? IN WHAT WAYS ARE YOU FIGHTING *WITH* YOUR KIDS?
2. READ AND DISCUSS 1 PETER 5:8-9, WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO BE SOBER-MINDED AND WATCHFUL? WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO FIGHT FOR THE HEARTS OF OUR CHILDREN?
3. ACCORDING TO PSALM 128:1, WHAT TWO THINGS NEED TO HAPPEN? WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO "FEAR THE LORD" AND "WALK IN HIS WAYS"?
4. WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE AND DISCIPLINE OUR CHILDREN. (EPHESIANS 6:4, PROVERBS 13:24) IN WHAT WAYS HAVE YOU SEEN GOD LOVE AND DISCIPLINE YOU IN *YOUR* LIFE THAT HAS PRODUCED GROWTH AND FRUIT IN YOUR OWN LIFE?
5. PASTOR TRENT GAVE US FOUR TYPES OF PARENTS IN LIGHT OF LOVE AND DISCIPLINE. DISCUSS THE CHARACTERISTICS AND IDOLS OF EACH: NEGLECTFUL, AUTHORITARIAN, PERMISSIVE & GOSPEL-CENTERED.



6. WHICH STYLE OF PARENTING DID YOUR PARENTS HAVE, AND HOW HAS IT SHAPED YOU/PLAYED A ROLE IN YOUR PARENTING? WHICH OF THE FOUR DO YOU TEND TO SEE IN YOUR PARENTING? WHAT FRUIT DO YOU SEE IN YOURSELF AND YOUR CHILDREN WHEN YOU PARENTING IS GOSPEL-CENTERED?
7. HOW CAN WE GUARD OURSELVES PRACTICALLY AGAINST LOSING THE GOSPEL IN OUR PARENTING? (PROVERBS 6:20, 23)