

FUTURE FAMILY, Part 5: Our Way, A Way

INTRODUCTION

Raising children is one of the biggest challenges in life. It requires all of our strengths and talents. It makes us keenly aware of our weaknesses. In this message, Andy and Sandra Stanley tell you everything they know about parenting. This isn't everything there is to know, just what they know.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What were the household rules when you were growing up? How have those rules influenced your current family life?
- 2. How are the ways that you discipline your children (or plan to discipline your children) similar to how you were disciplined as a child? How are they different?
- 3. Is it easier for you to communicate acceptance to members of your family with your words or with your time and schedule? Why?
- 4. What can you do now to create the story you want your children to tell about their years growing up? What can this group do to help you?

MOVING FORWARD

If you're in the middle of the stressful years of parenting and you aren't sure you're going to survive, remember that someday this phase of life will come to an end . . . and when it does, you'll miss it.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6

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