

# A Parents Guide to Correction

## Helping Children get it Right

Humanly speaking the three foundations for correcting a child effectively are: rules ... pointing out what should not be done, goals...demonstrating what should be done. and love ...the difference between success and failure. Without love no number of rules, nor even the highest of goals will succeed. Children have an in built sense of a parents heart. If you don't care...they won't.

Divinely speaking no parent can correct a child without scripture. Without scripture we have no authority. Without his word to back us up our rules, our goals and even our love will fall short. None of us can parent in our own wisdom or our own strength. We and our children need bible verses to serve as anchors for the storms and as stars to steer by.

Our goal at [www.bibleparent.com](http://www.bibleparent.com) is to provide God's word in USEABLE form...something easy...something parents can keep in their pocket and as the need arises give a card to a child for his very own "bible out". A bible out is like a time out except the child uses the time to memorize the verse. *The best verses for correcting a child are:*  
**Verses on love**...because love is the most correct thing of all and  
**Verses on The Holy Spirit** because no child can change his own heart. The only two things in the world which never fail are "Love" and "God's Word". Used in equal measures they are guaranteed to "correct" any child.

THERE IS ANOTHER REASON TO USE "POCKET SCRIPTURES", A REASON THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE CHILD. What about those times **a parent** is out of patience, out of time, or just plain too busy or tired to care much? Those are the times a Bible memory card makes life easier on the child. Bible memory cards are a win win situation for both parent and child. How we pray parents (Fathers included) visit [www.bibleparent.com](http://www.bibleparent.com), print a few strips, put the verses in your pocket or purse....and next time a child misbehaves ... apply a "Pocket Scripture".

**Authors Note:** Maria Montessori was a pioneer of modern education theory. The Montessori method is still in use in almost every country in the world. The basic pattern is that the teacher demonstrates a lesson to the child and the child repeats it to the best of his or her ability. The parent/teacher who demonstrates his or her faith in "Pocket Scriptures" by using them him or her self... multiple times a day... will find that children are quick to emulate what they see their parents do. We heartily recommend carrying a few verses in your own pocket for those times even parents need a little correction...a little of God's great love.

<p>There are many common ways parents use to influence a child's <b>behavior</b>...a loud voice, rewards, taking away good things, grounding, spanking, even shaming the child? In the end the best result possible is a TEMPORARY change in behavior.</p> <p><u>The Bible way is to focus on the child's heart</u> God's chosen tools for changing the heart are love and scripture. Neither of these is natural...they are supernatural. Next time your child does something you don't like give him/her a verse to memorize. The verses on these pages are verses on LOVE because it is the most correct thing of all. Memorizing the verse will take his or her mind off the behavior you want to change.</p>	<p>But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever. Psalm 52:8</p>	<p>Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Colossians 3:12</p>
<p>But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know we are in him: 1 John 2:5</p>	<p>... let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7</p>	<p>"The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, <u>abounding</u> in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Exodus 34:6-7</p>
<p>I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them." John 17:26</p>	<p>If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. James 2:8</p>	<p>There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, 1 John 4:18</p>

<p>If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. 1 John 4:20</p>	<p>Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7</p>	<p>Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Colossians 3:12</p>
<p>Keep on loving each other as brothers. Hebrews 13:1</p>	<p>Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. 1 Thessalonians 4:9</p>	<p>Whoever loves his brother lives in the light, and there is nothing in him to make him stumble. 1 John 2:10</p>
<p>But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:44-45</p>	<p>The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. Psalm 145:8</p>	<p>Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. John 14:21</p>
<p>This is my command: Love each other. John 15:17</p>	<p>But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8</p>	<p>Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Romans 12:9</p>

<p>Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Romans 12: 9</p>	<p>And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. 1 John 4:16</p>	<p>The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness. Jeremiah 31:3</p>
<p>But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:4-5</p>	<p>The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing." Zephaniah 3:17</p>	<p>I will heal their waywardness and love them freely, for my anger has turned away from them. Hosea 14:4</p>
<p>We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. 1 John 4:19-20</p>	<p>This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10</p>	<p>If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:2</p>
<p>If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:3</p>	<p>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 1 Corinthians 13:4-5</p>	<p>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:6-8</p>

<p>And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13</p>	<p>I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. John 17:23</p>	<p>A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34</p>
<p>Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him. John 14:21</p>	<p>Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart. 1 Peter 1:22</p>	<p>Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. 1 Peter 3:8</p>
<p>Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8</p>	<p>make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. 2 Peter 1:5-7</p>	<p>In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are like him. 1 John 4:17</p>
<p>And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Hebrews 10:24</p>	<p>If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. James 2:8</p>	<p>Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12</p>



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