

 "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy." 2 Timothy 3:1-2

What happens when we provoke our children to anger? They are *discouraged*. Colossians 3:21

Provoking our Children to Anger	Encouraging our Children
1. Neglect	1. <i>Time</i> and
	attention
2. Inconsistency	2. Consistent <b>example</b> and
	walk with Christ
3. Conditional <i>love</i>	3. Unconditional love and
	acceptance
4. Permissiveness	4. <b>Correction</b> and training
5. A <i>lack</i> of	5. <b>Total</b>
forgiveness	forgiveness
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## **Concluding Thoughts:**

- The Bible says, "Children, obey your parents."
- But then it tells parents, "Provoke not your children to wrath."
- There must be a *balance* between these two.
- The greatest blessing you could ever give your children is to proclaim the gospel of Christ to them and *lead* them to Christ.