

—Principle Seven—

Parents are responsible before God for the education and training of their children.

(See Deut. 6:4–25; Prov. 1:8; 3:12; 6:20; 10:1; 13:1,24; 15:20; 17:25; 22:15; 23:13–14; 28:7; 29:15; Eph. 6:1–4.) Do not be overly concerned about the references in Proverbs to “beating” one’s child or children. The emphasis is on appropriate discipline; these verses do not authorize abuse.