THE YOUTHFUL REBELLION BIBLE STUDY

Many young people, especially during the teenage years, enter into a time of rebellion against God, their parents, and other authority figures. The Bible speaks about this rebellion and other childhood rebellion and what to do about it.

1. There are various reasons why young people enter into rebellion. Consider some of the reasons given in the Scripture for youthful rebellion.
   a. According to 1 Samuel 3:13 why did Eli’s sons rebel and what was Eli’s role in their rebellion?

   b. According to 1 Kings 22:52-53 what was the cause of Ahaziah becoming an evil son and entering into rebellion against God?

   c. According to Proverbs 21:17 what are some things that people love that make them poor?

   d. According to Proverbs 22:15 what is in the heart of a child that could produce rebellion? What needs to be done to cure this problem?

   e. According to Ephesians 6:14 what do fathers (and mothers) sometimes do to children that produces rebellion? Why do you think this is the case?

   f. According to 2 Timothy 2:22 what desires do youth have?

2. Some people think that youthful rebellion is no big deal. The Bible speaks about the results of rebellion, even in young children.
   a. According to Exodus 21:15 what is the biblical command for a child who attacks his parents?

   b. According to Leviticus 20:9 what is a child not to do and what will happen if he does?

   c. According to Deuteronomy 21:18-21 what was to be done to a child who continued on in rebellious ways and would not be corrected?

   d. According to Proverbs 17:21 what does a foolish and rebellious son bring to his father?

   e. According to Proverbs 19:13 what is a foolish son to his father?

   f. According to Proverbs 19:26 how is a child known? If you have a rebellious child how will people think of him?

   g. According to Ecclesiastes 11:9 what will be the final result of following rebellious ways?

3. Most importantly, we need to see what to do to avoid rebellion in children.
   a. According to Leviticus 19:32 how should young people be trained to treat their elders?
b. According to Deuteronomy 4:9 what are parents to do for their children?  
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c. According to Deuteronomy 6:6-9 what are parents to teach their children and how are they to teach them?  
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d. According to Deuteronomy 31:13 what are two very important things that people are to teach their children in order to avoid rebellion?  
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e. According to Psalm 119:9 what is very important for a young man to learn so he can keep himself from rebellion?  
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f. According to Proverbs 13:24 what does a loving parent do?  
What is one way this is carried out?  
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g. According to Proverbs 19:18 how can parents find hope when they are trying to correct rebellion?  
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h. According to Proverbs 22:6 what is a parent to do for his children?  
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i. According to Proverbs 23:13-14 what must a parent do for his children in order to save them from death?  
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j. According to Proverbs 29:15 was does correction give a child?  
What if correction is not given?  
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k. According to Isaiah 28:9 how young should we begin to train children in the right ways?  
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l. According to Mark 7:10 what are we to teach our children to do?  
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m. According to 2 Timothy 1:5-6 what was passed on to Timothy?  
What was Timothy told to do with something he had received earlier in life?  
How would this defeat rebellion?  
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n. According to 2 Timothy 3:15 what was Timothy trained in and when did that training begin?  
What was the result of being trained in this way?  
Notice that this result is the opposite of the result of rebellion.

o. According to Titus 2:6-8 what should young people be encouraged to practice?  
What are some ways that this can be expressed?  
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4. Finally, we should consider what happens when a child does not give in to rebellion.

a. According to Psalm 127:3-5 what are non-rebellious children described as?  
What is this for the parents?  
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b. According to Proverbs 23:24 what does the father of a wise son have and what is that father able to do?  
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