

Marriage and Family Study
Heritage Christian Fellowship
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Parent Child Relationship
Comparison of two approaches part two

I. Introduction:

II. The Secular-based approach.

A. The primary goal.

1. Psychological health.

B. Starting point.

1. Bonding, attachment-love.

2. Means, friendship.

3. Need, self-concept (self-esteem)

4. Focus, techniques for behavior modification.

5. Results, ???? and conflict

III. Our responsibility:

We are to examine everything in light of God's Word. Humbly submit to His Sovereign will and make the necessary changes that will honor Him so that we will truly establish and maintain a Biblical relationship with our children.

- A. Pray for wisdom.
- B. Study and apply the Word of God in faith.
- C. Be consistent and immovable.
- D. Reject and flee the wisdom and philosophy of this age.
- E. Make sure that our lives are in submission to the Lord.

HOMEWORK

1. Review both approaches and carefully determine which one best represents your parenting style.
2. After examining your parenting style against the two approaches presented, what adjustments are necessary in order to comply or align your approach to that of the Biblically-based approach?
3. What have you discovered about your parenting style?
4. What specifically what the Lord revealed to you about His plans for your child(ren)?
5. Where has most of the information regarding your parenting style come from?