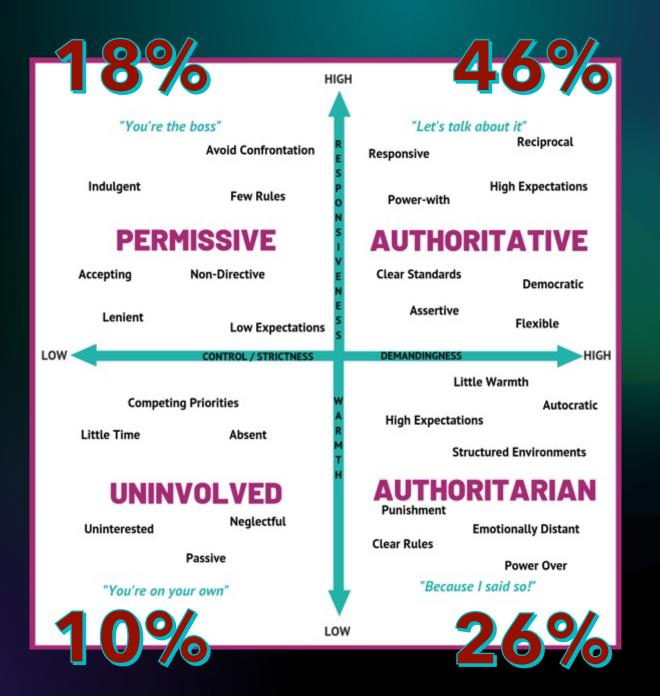


Practical Christian Parenting

STYLES OF PARENTING



THEORIES OF CHILD REARING

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Authoritarian

High demandingness. Low responsiveness.

Parenting Style Demanding

Lacks Warmth & Responsiveness

High Expectations & Expect Blind Obedience

Rarely Values Child's opinion

Strict Rules & Strict Punishments

Associated Outcome Less Self-Esteem; Insecure

Poorer Social Skills

Likelihood of Mental Illness; More internalization

More Frequent Delinquencies and addictions though

Distorted Image of God; Resists Authority



OVER-INVOLVED PARENTS Helicopter Parenting Tiger Parenting STYLE



Authoritarian

- Modernly Relabeled as: 'Tough Love' or 'Old School' Parenting. With goal to 'toughen up the child' building resilience, or out of fear of feeling like they will get walked over.
- Yet scripture reminds us:
- "Not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock" (1 Peter 5:3)

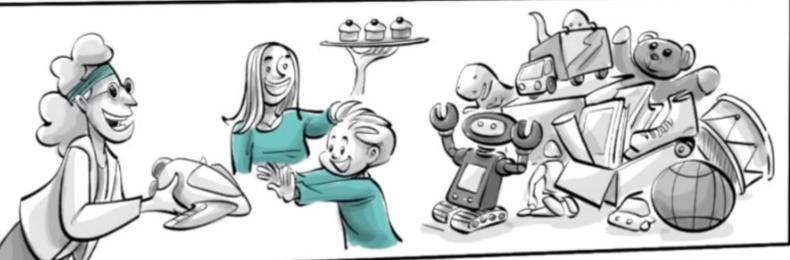
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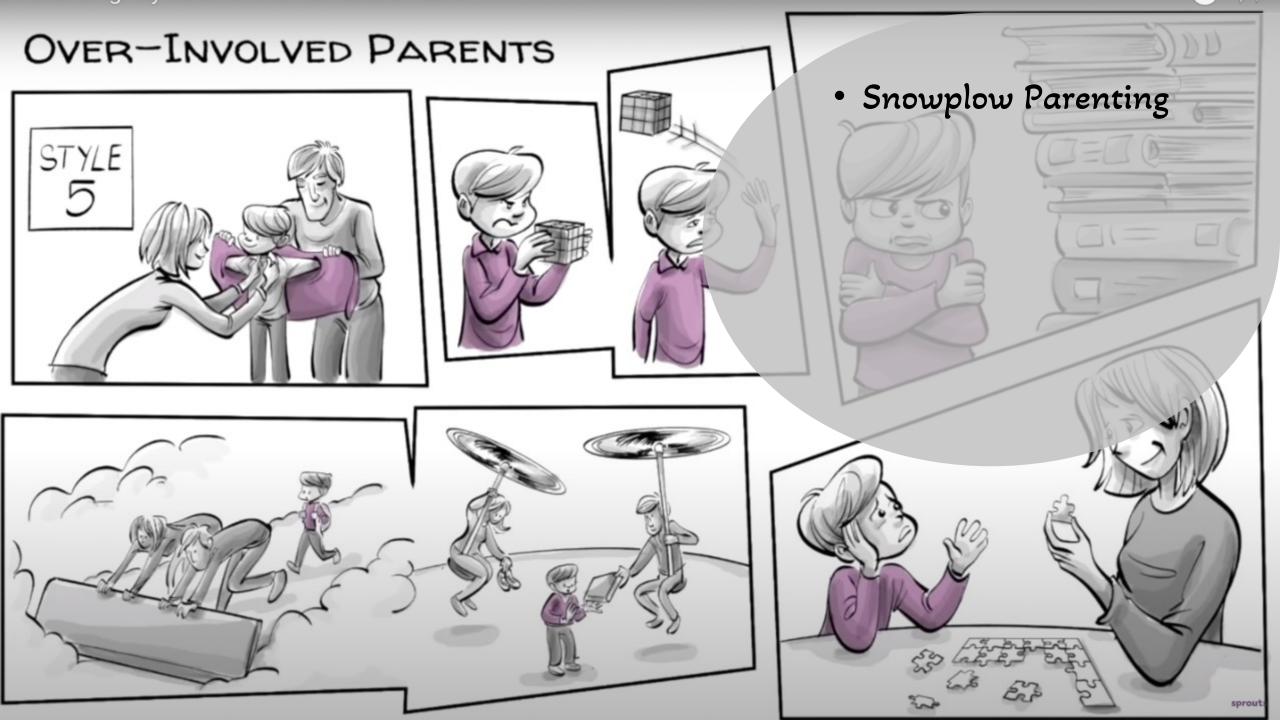












Permissive

Low demandingness. High responsiveness

Parenting Style Warm & Responsive

Indulgent

Lenient

Friend, not Parent

Few/No Rules

Associated Outcome

Poorer Academic Performance

Impulsive Behavior; Little selfcontrol

Egocentric

Poorer Social Skills

Poor Self-Regulation Skills

Problematic Relationship



Neglectful

Parenting Style Unresponsive

No Rules

Absent and not involved, physically or mentally

Indifferent

Associated Outcome

Impulsive Behavior

Delinquency

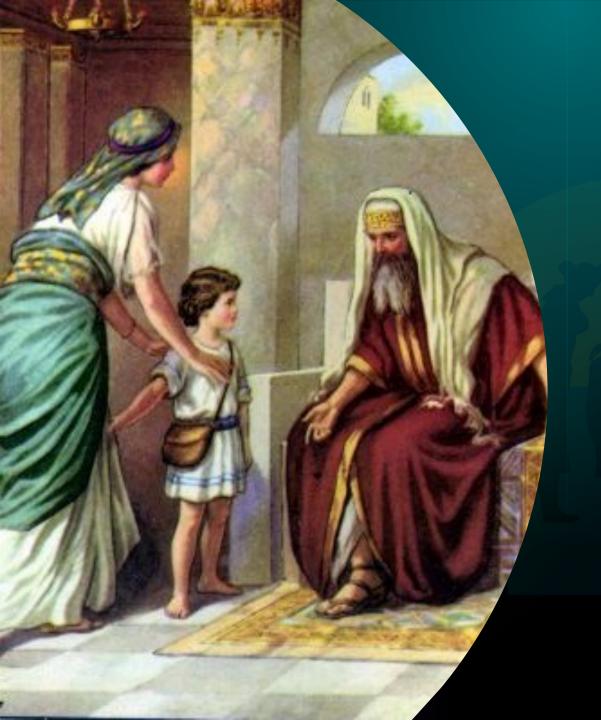
Drug & Alcohol Abuse

Suicides

Child Neglect



- CPS considers Child Neglect a form of Child Abuse.
- What is Child neglect?
 - is a deficit in meeting a child's basic needs, including the failure to provide adequate supervision, health care, clothing, or housing, as well as other physical, emotional, social, educational, and safety needs.
 - Texas Law on Neglect 261.001 4B: "failing to seek, obtain, or follow through with medical care for a child, with the failure resulting in or presenting a substantial risk of death, disfigurement, or bodily injury or with the failure resulting in an observable and material impairment to the growth, development, or functioning of the child."
 - Parental failure to provide for a child, when options are available, is different from failure to provide when options are not available.



Spiritual Child Neglect Eli the Priest

- Sons of Eli were wicked: They violated the offerings and took more than their portion (a portion that belonged to God). They also had layed with congregants at the door of tabernacle. (1 Sam 12-17, 22)
- Eli does nothing but a verbal rebuke (1 Sam 23-25)
- God rebukes Eli for his weak parenting and His lack of love for God. (1 Sam 2:29) while removing all blessings bestowed on this family. A complete removal of grace.

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OT God vs. NT God



Authoritative High demandingness. High responsiveness.

Parenting Style Warm, Responsive & nurturing

Attentive & Supportive

Value Independence

Encourages Dialogue

Clear Rules with enforced boundaries

High Expectations

Associated Outcome

Higher Academic Performance

More Self-Esteem

Better Social Skills

Less Mental Illness

Lower Delinquencies



Proverbs 19:18

New King James Version

Chasten your son while there is hope, And do not set your heart on his destruction.

Authoritative High demandingness. High responsiveness.

- There has to be a balance where we discipline our children when there is hope before it is too late.
- When the children are under 10-12, they are taught compliance and respecting rules and authorities.
- After they reached that age, when given instruction, it should be given by discussion and explanation. Therefore, keeping the balance between love and control.

Authoritative vs. Permissive

Permissive Parenting	Authoritative Parenting
Always say yes to their children's demands	Say yes to their children's demands when they are reasonable
Dislike control over their children. They do not monitor or guide their children's behavior.	Dislike control over their children, but they monitor and guide their children's behavior
Have very few rules and standards of behavior. When there are rules, they are not consistently enforced.	Have some rules and standards of behavior. They are consistently enforced.
Let children make major decisions generally reserved for adult guardians without guidance.	Let children participate in making major decisions with guidance.
Place very little responsibility on their children	Place sensible amount of responsibility on their children

Conflicting Parenting Styles

- Authoritarian vs. Authoritative.
 - May disagree about how much affection to give and argue over whether to punish a child, when, and how severe the punishment should be.
- Authoritative vs. Permissive.
 - May agree about the need for love and affection. But they may have strong disagreements about which rules to enforce and how to enforce them.
- Authoritarian vs. Permissive.
 - May disagree over when and whether to punish children. Permissive parents might even view authoritarian parents as abusive. Meanwhile, authoritarian parents may see permissive parents as neglectful.

Complement your styles

