

What If ??????????

Someone speaks up in your small group during the prayer time and says, “Pray for me. I am really upset about the parent / expectation and discipline policy that our church has put together for the children’s and youth ministry. Where is the grace in all this? I thought we were supposed to be grace-based? That’s what attracted me to this church, but this all sounds very harsh and unloving. I think the most important thing we could do is just convince our kids that God loves them. All this talk of discipline is just for ‘Type A’ people. The rest of us don’t function that way at all. You can’t expect us to be able to do this with our children. And I would never spank my children. I love them too much to abuse them like that.”

You have 5 minutes to decide how you should proceed and you *must* have at least one verse to motivate / guide your decision

- How would you direct her?
- How would you give her hope? What verses?
- What would you show her to be her biblical responsibility as a parent?
- Where do you begin?