

Discussion Questions
Why Can't I Get My Kids To Behave?

Chapter 1

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1. Can you relate with the parents in the scenarios with 6 year old Scott and/or 11 year old Kate? If so, how do you feel after such incidents?

2. If what you are experiencing in your parenting is not what you expected when you had kids, what were your expectations?

3. How are you encouraging your children to grow into adults who are characterized by spiritual, emotional, and material success?

4. Before reading this chapter, how would you have defined the word *obedience*?
 - How would your spouse define it (if you are married)?

5. Is this the same standard and definition your parents had of obedience when you were growing up? If not, how is it different?

6. Do you agree or disagree with the definition of obedience in this chapter? Why or why not?

7. What is the difference between obeying and submitting?

- Do your children do either? Explain how and give an illustration of how they obey and how they submit.
- Which do they need to do first (obey or submit) and why?

8. How did Samuel obey Eli?

9. When you call your child's name, what is his attitude?

10. List the different reasons given in the chapter why it is important to bring your child to obedience.

- Can you list other reasons?

11. What is the most important reason to train your child to a Biblical standard of obedience?

12. Name one thing that was the most helpful in Chapter 1 that you can begin implementing with your children. How will you begin working on it?