**Staying In Bounds**

*Teaching your Kids the Value of Healthy Boundaries.*

~A Lesson in Parenting from the Garden of Eden~

**#1: Create a Great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for your Kids to Thrive. READ GENESIS 2:1-15**

* Give them some responsibility & some ownership.
* Give them an environment that’s healthy and protected.

**#2: Communicate Clearly what/where/why the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_are.**

**READ GENESIS 2:16a**

* Draw the Line in the sand because; mom and dad it’s not as obvious as you think it is.

**#3: Communicate Clearly the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (+) & (-).**

**READ GENESIS 2:16b**

**#4: Correct your kids when they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Boundaries.**

**READ GENESIS 2:17-3:24**

* “Rewind the tape” and discuss what happened.
* Offer forgiveness and a plan to deal with the consequences.

**#5: Commend your kids when they stay \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Boundaries.**

* Because doing the right thing may not be easy or “popular”.

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* Responsibility
* Healthy Protected Environment

**#2: Communicate Clearly what/where/why the Boundaries are.**

**READ GENESIS 2:16a**

* (Draw the Line in the sand please) Sometimes its not as obvious as you think it is mom and dad.
* Its opposite of if it feels good do it.
* “A man’s got to know his limitations”
* “The Light Pole” become responsible with a boundary and you are given more responsibility.
* ROAD/FOOTBALL FIELD (out of bounds does not count)

**#3: Communicate Clearly the Consequences (+) & (-)**

**READ GENESIS 2:16b**

* “Sam you must ask before you climb a tree”/Truth Boundaries “Did you see me do it?”
* Don’t just be concerned about getting caught, but about the difference between right and wrong.- “How much for a season pass?”
* We reap what we sew. Plant cuckleburrs and you will harvest cuckleburs.
* There are consequences even without sin. (AC pronounced dead Wednesday at 4:00PM KA-CHING)

**#4: Correct your kids when they violate the Boundaries**

**READ GENESIS 2:17-3:24**

* “Rewind the tape” and discuss what happened.
* Offer forgiveness and a plan to deal with the consequences.

**#5: Commend your kids when they stay within the Boundaries.**

* (Staying in Bounds shouldn’t be boring but preferred.)
* But it may not win the majority vote. Its not the IN THING or popular. AND ITS DEFINITELY NOT EASY.
* You’ll be labeled goody two shoes for having boundaries