



**Workshop: Counseling Parents of Rebellious Teens**

I. **What is Rebellion?** 2 Timothy 3:1-5

Rebellion is defined as "*an open resistance to any authority.*"

It is a conscious choice which involves the will

*Idolatry is at the heart of rebellion* - "I desire to be my own God, therefore, I'm going to do what I want to do and no one is going to tell me differently"

*Throughout the Scriptures, we see God's response to rebellion: He pronounces judgment on it*

II. **The Parent's Responsibility is to:**

1. **Establish their parental authority in the home with love** Ephesians 6:4; James 1:19; Colossians 3:21
2. **Examine Their Own Heart while Parenting** Genesis 25-28
3. **Train up a child in the way they should go**  
Proverbs 22:6; Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Psalm 78:1-7
4. **Use corrective discipline in their child's life**  
Proverbs 22:15; Proverbs 29:15; Hebrews 12:9-11; 2 Samuel 13

III. **The Parent Not Responsible for:**

5. **Choosing for their children to have a walk with God**  
1 Samuel 2:3; Ezekiel 18:20; Joshua 24:14,15; Genesis 2; Luke 15:11-32; Jeremiah 17:9, 10; James 1:13-15

**God is still sovereign and He is in control even when a child is out of control.**

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