



Leader *or*  
Dictator

Ephesians 6:4

*A little boy, frightened by a thunderous lightning storm, called out one dark night,  
“Daddy, come. I’m scared.”*

*“Son,” the father said, “God loves you and he’ll take care of you.”*

*“I know God loves me,” the boy replied. “But right now I want somebody who has skin on.”*



***“You are God to them!”***

**Psalm 68:5-6; Isaiah 43:1-2; Hosea 11:1-4;  
1 John 4:11-12, 19-21; Colossians 3:21**



# *Poor Priorities*

**1 Thessalonians 2:9-12**

**Mark 8:34-37**

**Matthew 6:33-34**



*Colossians 3:21 Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.*

# *Poor Practice*

**Genesis 18:16-19**

**Romans 4:11-16**

**John 5:19**



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# *Poor Permission*

**Proverbs 19:18-19**

**Hebrews 12:5-11**

**2 Timothy 2:24-26**

**John 9:35-41**



*Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.*



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Lead by Love *or* Force by Fear?