

# Parenting 3: Discipline

*Sermon outline for 9:00am service*

## **Introduction: The Swinging Pendulum of Child Rearing Theory**

### **1. Boundaries with Consequences?**

- Parenting as foundation, formwork and fences
- Hebrews 12:5-11
- Necessary, but not sufficient

### **2. Discipline and Punishment – Two Related But Different Tasks**

- Discipline as training (based on a theology of Creation)  
Goal: Responsible behaviour
- Punishment as corrective (based on a theology of Redemption)  
Goal: Restored Relationships

### **3. Putting it into Practice**

- Disciplining & correcting in Love
- Consistent, measured, and realistic
- Distinguish between real rebellion and boundary testing
- Forgiveness and consequences
- Repentance, forgiveness and reconciliation