



SMSV Coptic Orthodox Church

Biblical Parenting

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Model of raising healthy children of God (Luke 15: 11-38)

4) Boundaries

1) God is @ home:
Fear of God



3) Liberty of Glory
of children of God

2) Unconditional
Love

What do teenagers need?!

- Good role models
- Clear Expectations
- No double standards
- Listening/communicative parents
- Healthy life/social experiences
- Love & respect
- Parents who guide not control
- Praying parents



Pay attention when!!

- Easily influenced by others
- Lying/fear
- Unable to make friends
- Withdrawal
- Not healthy: gaining/losing weight
- Spending excessive time with unknown friends



So what to do now?!!

- Listen to their issues: initiate the communication
- Pray with them, support them & affirm them
- Partner with them to meet their needs
- Train them on how to:
 - make decisions
 - take responsibility
 - be accountable
- Stick to the rules you jointly establish
- Have fun together

