



Tips for Correction Without Destroying Connection

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1. **Prepare yourself.** Your kids are going to break your rules, and you're going to be tempted to overreact.
2. **Buy yourself some time.** Practice a response where you tell your kids you love them unconditionally, and you admit you need some time to think and pray about the situation.
3. **Admit you don't have this.** Pray and humble yourself before God.
4. **Ask your kids their side of the story.** Listen to them. Give them a chance to be heard, noticed, and understood.
5. **Secretly become your kids defense attorney.** Empathize with your kids.
6. **Ask your kids what they would do in your shoes.**
7. **Give your kids a choice.** Come up with one option that includes very heavy rules and limits and another option with much lighter rules and limits combined with a weekly time of connection.

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