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At Hunter Bible Church we want any behaviour issues dealt with in a manner that is reflective of God's love for us, correcting and shepherding towards Jesus our loving saviour. The key characteristics of this are gentleness, love, warnings, opportunities for repentance, forgiveness and inclusion. This is no different for children.

The biblical basis for deciding these characteristics and steps are:

Prov 22:6 "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

Matt 18:15 "If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over."

Gal 6:1 "Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted."

Eph 6:1 "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right."

Col 3:20 "Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord."

Titus 3:10 "Warn a divisive person once, and then warn them a second time. After that, have nothing to do with them."

2 Timothy 4:2 "Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction."

There are many strategies that teachers of kids can implement in their classes such as planned activities, good transitioning and engaging lessons. These are the best ways to involve children in learning about Jesus. Training is offered to volunteers in these areas on an ongoing basis by staff and experienced teachers. Should there be a child who still refuses to participate, these are the steps a teacher will be supported in should there be the need to try and lead a child to repentance.



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