



“Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”

John 9:2

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affect their children?**

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“And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord”

Ephesians 6:4

2. Their slackness in restraining their children may bring God's wrath upon the whole household

“For I have told him that I will judge his house forever for the iniquity which he knows, because his sons made themselves vile, and he did not restrain them”

1 Samuel 3:13

“A horse not broken turns out to be stubborn, and a son allowed to run wild turns out to be headstrong”

Wisdom of Sirach 30:8

3. Their unbalanced corrections might lead them to fail

“Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest
they become discouraged”

Colossians 3:21

4. Their distorted understanding of God and His path may lead their children away from Him

5. Their ungodly conduct may cause the children to stumble

“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea”

Matthew 18:6

6. Despising God's commandment by the parents may lead Him to abandon the whole family

“Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.’ Thus says the LORD: ‘Behold, I will raise up adversity against you from your own house”

2 Samuel 12:10-11

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