

REFRAIN FROM WANTON OFFENSE

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Remember that each family & each boy's needs are unique. Pray & make a personalized plan for your son(s).

SCRIPTURE TO LIVE BY

- Read Mark 12:30-31. This is FOUNDATIONAL to all of life. Love God, Love Others. It's as simple as that. Walking it out, gets a little more challenging. Talk to your kids about what this means practically and how the two are interconnected.
- The Golden Rule! Read Luke 6:31 and the surrounding verses. Treat others with dignity and respect.

CONVERSATIONS TO HAVE

- As you watch movies, or encounter situations, have your boys be on the lookout for times when people modeled positive social behavior and when they showed disrespect through behavior or speech that gave wonton offense.
- Define Wanton (pg 159) and remind your kids that THIS is their training phase. Your goal is to raise kids who both respect others and are respected.
- How can situational awareness skills help us to refrain from the wanton giving of offense? (reading a situation and responding appropriately in behavior and speech)
- Discuss how building situational awareness skills in this area helps them successfully navigate through life.
- Review etiquette in new situations that are coming up – school/classes, church, store, library, driving etiquette (for teens), being a guest in someone's home, having guests into your home.

BOOKS TO READ

- The Kitchen Knight – who took up a perceived offense of another? (Sir Kay) Who worked towards peace, and who sought to stir things up? (Lancelot vs. Sir Kay) How did the kitchen knight refrain from the wanton giving of offense? Do you think that was easy? (pg 161)
- For more books, see www.HeatherHaupt.com/chivalry-books-for-boys/

THINGS TO DO

- Role-play being a button-pusher and a peace-maker.
- Practice people skills for meeting new people
- Work on Table Manners (pg 174-175 for ideas)

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- Plan a camping or picnic meal one week and then do a fancy meal the next week. Talk about the differences in etiquette between the two.

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LUKE 6:31

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

READ THE SITUATION

RESPOND APPROPRIATELY

EXTEND RESPECT-GARNER RESPECT

