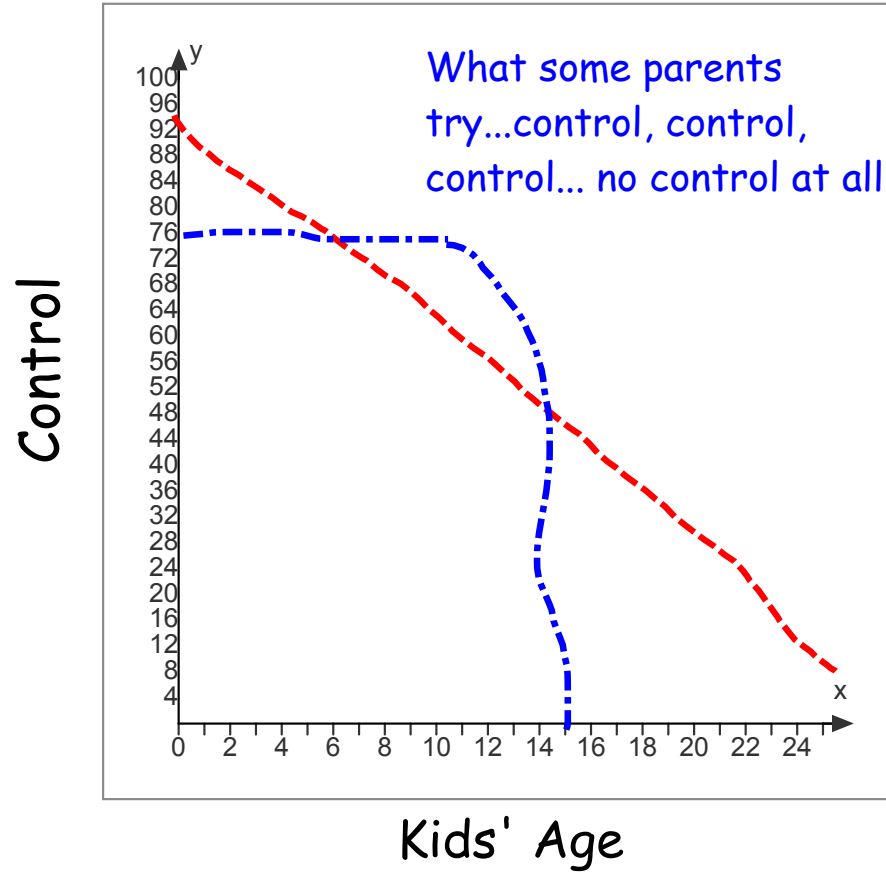


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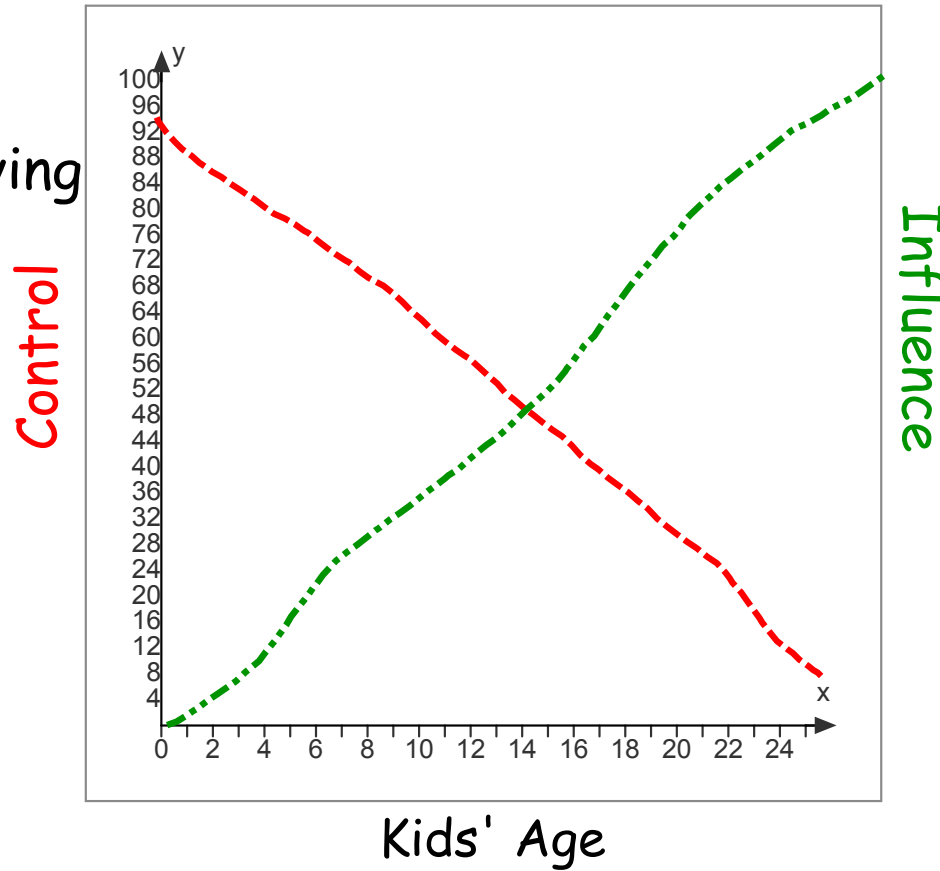
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All of parenting is moving appropriately from control to influence.



Joshua 24:15 "But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Q: How do we best influence our kids?

A: Be a good model. Don't be a hypocrite.

Never tell them "Do as I say, not as I do."

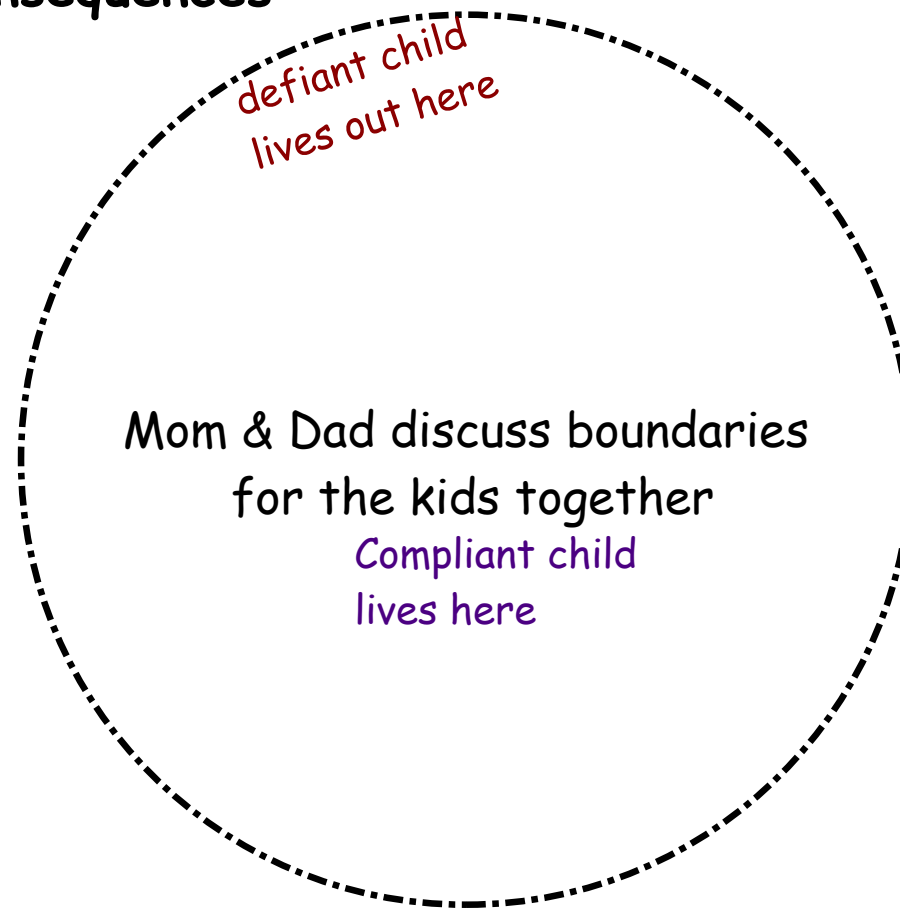
Ephesians 6:1 was written to children, not parents:
"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right."

Children are to honor their parents...the parents don't get to tell them how to do it. (Nor do they get to manipulate the children in how they do it.)

Boundaries & Consequences

Crucial: If you make a rule (a boundary) you must make a consequence for any infraction thereof.

The consequence must be doable (in reality, and emotionally by the parent). It must also be natural & logical.



Spend your energy enforcing the consequence, not the rule!
(This takes the emotional battle away.)

Q: What if you've made some of these mistakes?

A: Think it through (talk with your spouse) then go to your (adult or younger) child and 'fess up and apologize. Explain.

Q: What's the next step to end enabling behavior?

A: Keep your checkbook in your pocket! There must be consequences for learning to occur.

Q: If you have an adult child living at home, how do you deal with that?

A: Make house rules, not people rules: "no smoking in this house, no extra-marital sex in this house..."

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