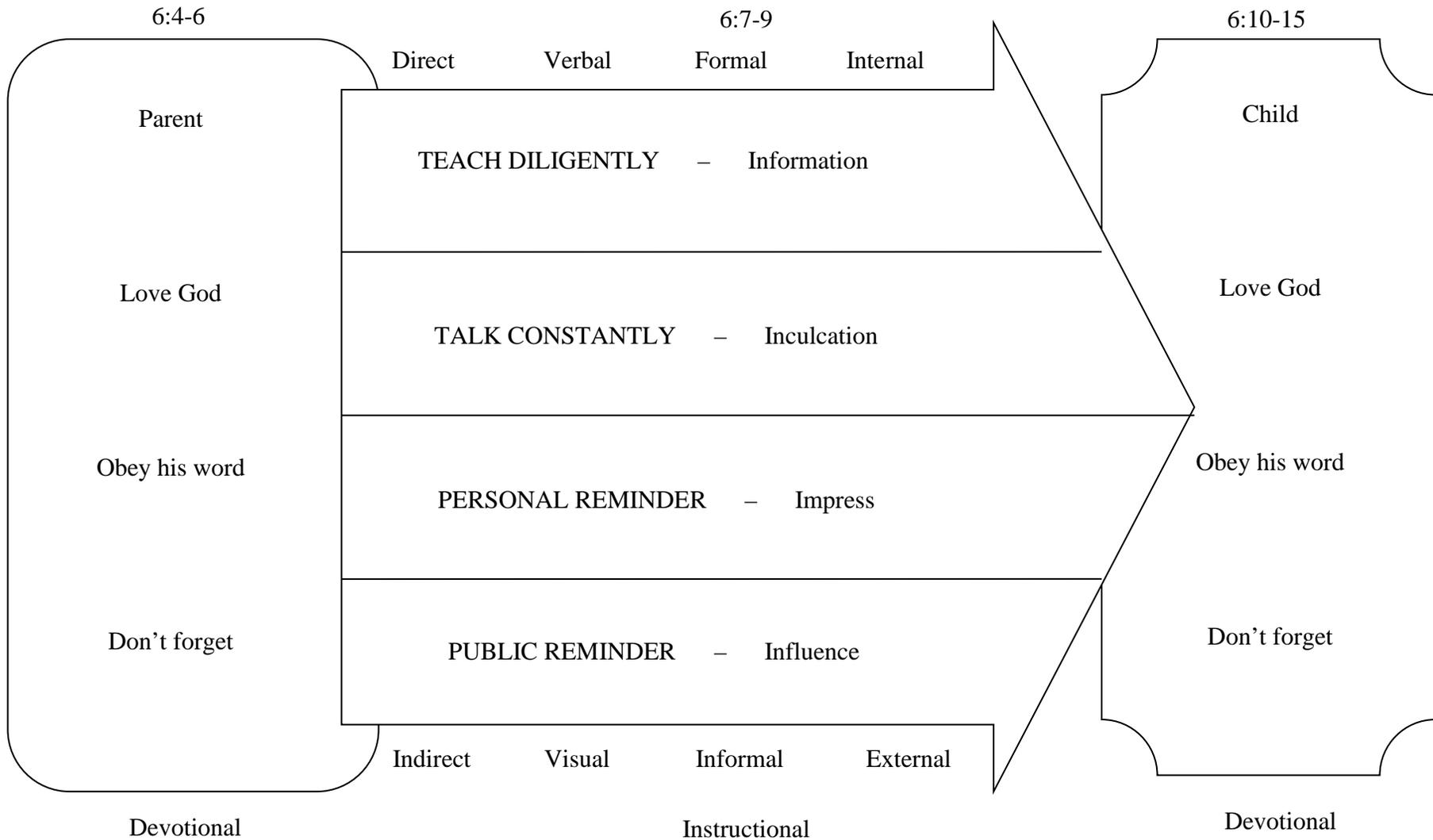


Teach Your Children Well

Deuteronomy 6:4-15

Raising children can be a white-knuckle ride on an emotional roller coaster or a thrilling ride with incredible joy. As parents, we want to raise our children to be physically, emotionally, and spiritually healthy. We want them to be able to stand on their own, contribute to society in a meaningful way, and not move back home with mom & dad. To accomplish this, we need to accept our primary role as teachers. We need to know what we want to teach, what values we want to pass on to our children, and use teachable moments to instruct them.



Developing Godly Character in Your Children

- What do you want them to know?
- What character qualities do you want them to demonstrate?
- What life skills do you want them to master?
- What values do you want them to hold?

	Knowledge	Character	Life Skills	Values
Teach diligently				
Talk constantly				
Personal reminder				
Public reminder				

Principles to Practice

1. Accept the role that God has given you to teach your children (Ephesians 6:4; Proverbs 1-9; Deuteronomy 6:4-9).
2. Take responsibility for your own spiritual growth and the spiritual growth of you family.
3. Develop a list of knowledge, character, life skills, and values that you want to pass on to your children.
4. Create an atmosphere of love and acceptance (1 Thessalonians 2:7-8, 11-12).
5. Practice discipline (Hebrews 12:5-11) in a positive manner (Ephesians 6:4; Colossians 3:21).
6. Enlist the help of other godly parents for support, encouragement, and accountability.
7. Trust God for the outcome.