

Homeschooling the Rebel

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Research Root of Problem

Recognize Triggers

- What happened before the flare-up?
- Was I angry with them?
- Were they provoked by a sibling?
- Jealous for attention?
- Were they distracted?
- Is their schoolwork too difficult or too easy?
- Did they get enough sleep?
- What are they eating?
- Is there too much stimulation?

Be a Disciple and Make a Disciple

- Be a disciple
- Draw them in close
- Exemplify desired behavior
- Other influences
- Close to authority figure
- Disciple in prayer
- Invest time
- Make disciples

Teach What is Good

- Teach them the Word of God
- Teach them about God's discipline
- Historical cycle: Idolatry, Bondage, Repentance, Deliverance and Rest
- God's plan for protection
- Teach Repentance
- Teach godly government
- Teach Creation
- Self-Control = Under God's control
- The Cross

Homeschooling

- You may need to step up or back academically
- Reading good literature
- Look for curriculum that doesn't frustrate
- If writing is too hard, have them dictate to you and show them their work
- Allow them to choose topics of study
- Study Proverbs
- Read to you
- Scripture memorization
- Music
- Separate Siblings/Environment
- Working Together
- Rewards

Consistency

- Provide clear strong guidelines in all areas
- Consistent bedtime and wake time
- Consistent meal times
- Consistent discipline
- Consistent chores and school work
- Consistent training times
- No surprises

Discipline

- Trouble with siblings
- Disrespect, disobedience or angry outbursts
- Stick close to Dad
- Extra activities
- Consistency and fairness with all children
- Discipline and forgiveness
- Emotions
- Isolation/Break/Intervention

Change the Way You Respond

- Purpose to be quiet. Proverbs 15:1
- Repeating commands frustrates
- Don't entertain an argument
- Don't take personal offense
- Share your own struggles
- Praise

Love Them

- Don't pull away
- Discover their "love language"
- Teach all the children to love
- Love is patient and kind

Stay Grounded

- We need times of refreshing
- STAY in the Word
- Prayer and fasting
- Death to self

Further Resources: *Biology of Behavior/Asperger's*, diannecraft.org; *Winning the Heart of a Rebel*, by S.M. Davis; *The Five Love Languages of Children*, by Gary Chapman; *Doorposts; Homeschooling with a Meek and Quiet Spirit*, by Teri Maxwell; *The Heart of Anger*, by Lou Priolo; *How to Be Good and Angry* DVD, Paul Tripp

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