

Ephesians 6.4

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. - Deuteronomy 6.6,7, ©NIV

Proverbs 22.6

“Train a child according to his [the child’s] way ...” - Marvin Wilson, “The Sweetness of Learning”, Jerusalem Perspective

The child is not formless clay, to be shaped entirely according to the teachers or parents own pre-established views. Educating each child according to her own way means that we must relax our theories and pay attention to this particular child, adjust our methods to the way in which she may best learn, nurture her particular gifts, respect her interests ... The saying is an oblique acknowledgment that the child herself has some incipient wisdom. - Ellen F. Davis, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, p 120

For parents, the only way is hard. We who give life give pain. There is no help. Yet we who give pain give love; by pain we learn the extremity of love. - Wendell Berry, “The Way of Pain”