<u>If</u> we put our faith in God's advice, <u>then</u> God will channel His power to <u>bring about</u> our blessing.

IF + THEN = DELIGHT

"My child, don't reject the LORD's discipline, and don't be upset when he corrects you. For the LORD corrects those he loves, just as a father corrects a child in whom he delights.

Proverbs 3:11-12 (NLT)

JOHN OWEN

Puritan Theologian, 1616-1683



"Few may fall into the sin of openly despising and rejecting God's chastisements, but to not esteem them as we ought, and not to comply with the will of God in them, is virtually to despise them."

If (We Accept God's Discipline) + Then (God's Power) = Delight

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Discipline Defined #1 (מוּסָר) - Musar): training to improve strength or selfcontrol, to gain education and instruction.



"There are several things you can do with your colt to make sure he remains a well-mannered stallion. First of all, let me say that in my opinion, there is no excuse for a poorly behaved stallion, other than poor training and handling."

- Julie Goodnight Certified Horseman Association

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Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father?

Hebrews 12:7 (NIV)

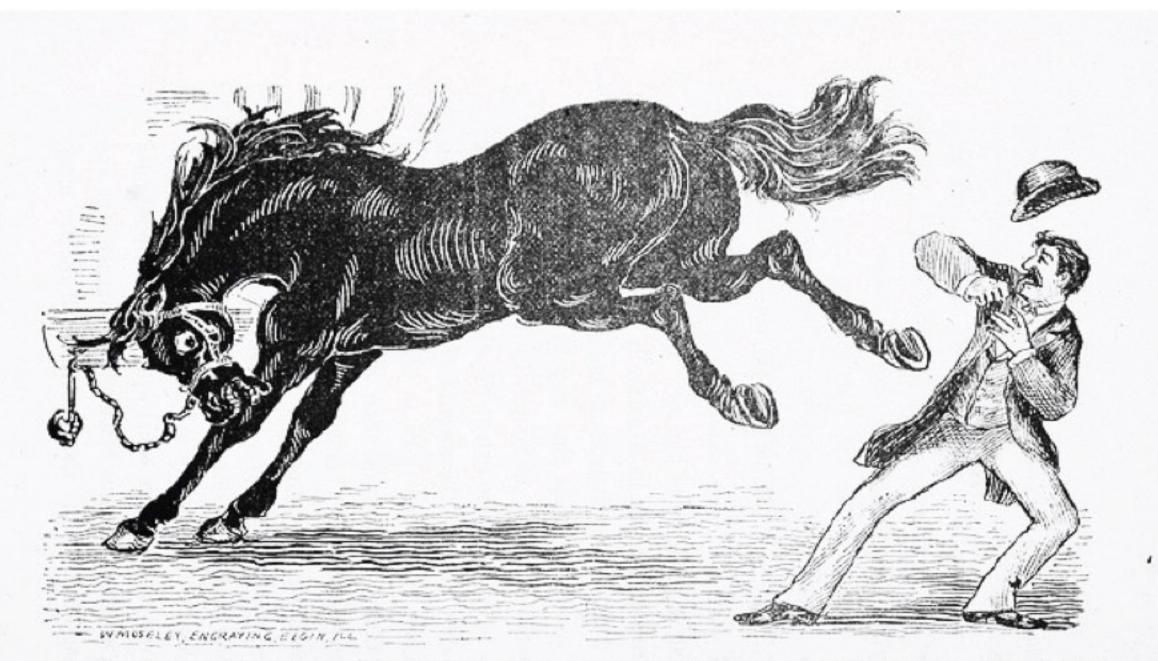
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Discipline Defined #2 (יְבַח Yokiah): to admonish or warn forcefully, expressing strong disapproval.



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"Nice thing, this having to dodge for your life, isn't it? After my treatment the horse has no longer any desire to kick."

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²⁰And God came to Balaam at night and said to him, "If the men have come to call you, rise, go with them; but only do what I tell you." So Balaam rose in the morning and saddled his donkey and went with the princes of Moab. But God's anger was kindled because he went, and the angel of the Lord took his stand in the way as his adversary. Now he was riding on the donkey, and his two servants were with him.

Numbers 22:20-22 (ESV)

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Proverbs 3:12 (NLT)

Delight: to have a high degree of pleasure and satisfaction.

If you withhold correction and punishment from your children, you demonstrate a lack of true love. So prove your love and be prompt to punish them.

Proverbs 13:24 (TPT)

"...God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness.

Hebrews 12:10 (NIV)