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Heb. 11:20, "By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come."

Gen. 12:2, "I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing.

Gen. 12:3, "I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Gen. 27:27, "And he came near ... and blessed him and said: 'Surely, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field which the LORD has blessed.

Gen. 27:28, "'Therefore may God give you of the dew of heaven, of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of grain and wine.

Gen. 27:29, "'Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you. Be master over your brethren, and let your mother's sons bow down to you. Cursed be everyone who curses you, and blessed be those who bless you!'"

Gen. 27:39, "Then Isaac his father answered and said to him: 'Behold, your dwelling shall be of the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above.

Gen. 27:40, "'By your sword you shall live, and you shall serve your brother; and it shall come to pass, when you become restless, that you shall break his yoke from your neck.'"

Gen. 28:1, "Then Isaac called Jacob and blessed him, and charged him, and said to him: 'You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Canaan.

Gen. 28:2, "'Arise, go to Padan Aram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's father; and take yourself a wife from there of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother.

Gen. 28:3, "'May God Almighty bless you, and make you <u>fruitful and multiply</u> you, that you may be an <u>assembly of peoples</u>;

Gen. 28:4, "'And give you the blessing of Abraham, to you and your descendants with you, that you may inherit the land in which you are a stranger, which God gave to Abraham.'"



Heb. 12:3, "For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

Heb. 12:4, "You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin."

Heb. 11:21, "By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff."

1. Problem: Too often we think of discipline in the negative sense as punishment.

That is because we often learn and acquire self-discipline by facing negative consequences. Some of these negative consequences are the natural negative consequences of hasty, ill-concieved, or just plain wrong or bad decisions. Other negative consequences come from additional punishment piled on top of the natural negative consequences.

2. In English, the noun discipline is defined by the OED as "the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior." Including the idea of the "controlled behavior resulting from such training." The verb means to train someone to obey rules or a code of behavior by punishment or rebuke.

3. The Greek and Hebrew terminology παιδεύω (paideuo), bring up, instruct, train, educate; παιδεία (paideia), upbringing, training, instruction, discipline

This focuses on the end result which is the idea of training, preparation for future service as an adult.

מוֹם (moser) band, bond. Figuratively it was used for that which chastens or restrains. Thus, discipline has the idea of restraining one's natural impulses or the impulses of the sin nature. In Gal. 5:21–22 enkrateia is used in the sense of self-mastery as one of the fruits of the Spirit.

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Prov. 3:12, "For whom the LORD loves He corrects, just as a father the son in whom he delights."

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קבֵי (yakah) decide, judge, prove, rebuke, reprove, correct

4. It is part of God's plan in every dispensation to train believers to think and to live according to His code of conduct. In the Old Testament that code of conduct was expressed in the Mosaic Law, from the time of Moses to the cross. In the New Testament that code is expressed through the various commands and prohibitions in the New Testament.

Genesis 28:13, "And behold, the LORD stood above it [at the head of it] and said: 'I am the LORD [Yhwh] God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants [seed].

Genesis 28:14, "'Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'"

Genesis 28:15, "'Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.'

Genesis 28:16, "Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know *it.*'"

Genesis 28:17, "And he was afraid and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!" Proverbs 1:7, "The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge, *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Gen. 35:10, "And God said to him, 'Your name is Jacob; your name shall not be called Jacob anymore, but Israel shall be your name.' So He called his name Israel.

Gen. 35:11, "Also God said to him: 'I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall proceed from you, and kings shall come from your body.

Gen. 35:12, "'The land which I gave Abraham and Isaac I give to you; and to your descendants after you I give this land.'"

- 2 Pet. 1:3, "as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,
- 2 Pet. 1:4, "by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."