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RE- FLECTING GOD

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Job 5:15-27

Throughout my years of school, I always had in my class at least one of those kids?the spoiled, haughty, mean-tempered kind with no concern for others. These children boldly disrespected authority or acted as though they were better than everyone else due to one reason: a lack of discipline. They knew their parents would not punish them, so they were free to behave terribly without any consequences.

With that in mind, would you consider it a blessing to be disciplined? Enduring punishment is never pleasant at the time, but in retrospect, I am so thankful that my parents disciplined me. It taught me right from wrong and prevented me from developing the same attitudes as some of my old classmates.

How is it any different with God? He is our Father, and a good parent disciplines his child out of love. Can you imagine the destruction that would result from a life lived with absolutely no rules and no guidance from God? The next time I am humbled by God's correction, I will remember to be thankful!

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