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**“It’s just like
riding a bike.”**







**Train up a child in the way he should go;
even when he is old he will not depart from it.**

Proverbs 22:6

English Standard Version



Proverbs 22:6

A principle, not a promise.
(cf. Proverbs 16:17)

**Beware of measuring
parents by a kids' choices.**
(Isaiah 1:2)

**Even with these caveats,
what a helpful principle!**

What does the future hold for the youth in this room?

God will spread his kingdom &
bless the world through some here.

Satan will attack them all & the
world will push them to conform.

They'll succeed...and fail.

Many of them will "revert
to their training."



**“Under pressure,
you don’t rise to
the occasion, you
sink to the level of
your training.”**

– Anonymous Navy Seal



THE BIG IDEA

We can't save our kids (Php. 2:12)
**or protect them from every
danger, but we can give them
*momentum in the right direction.***





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Hanok - "Dedicate" or "Initiate"

(Deut. 20:5; 1 Kings 8:63)

"to start the youth off with a strong and perhaps even religious commitment to a certain course of action" (Waltke)

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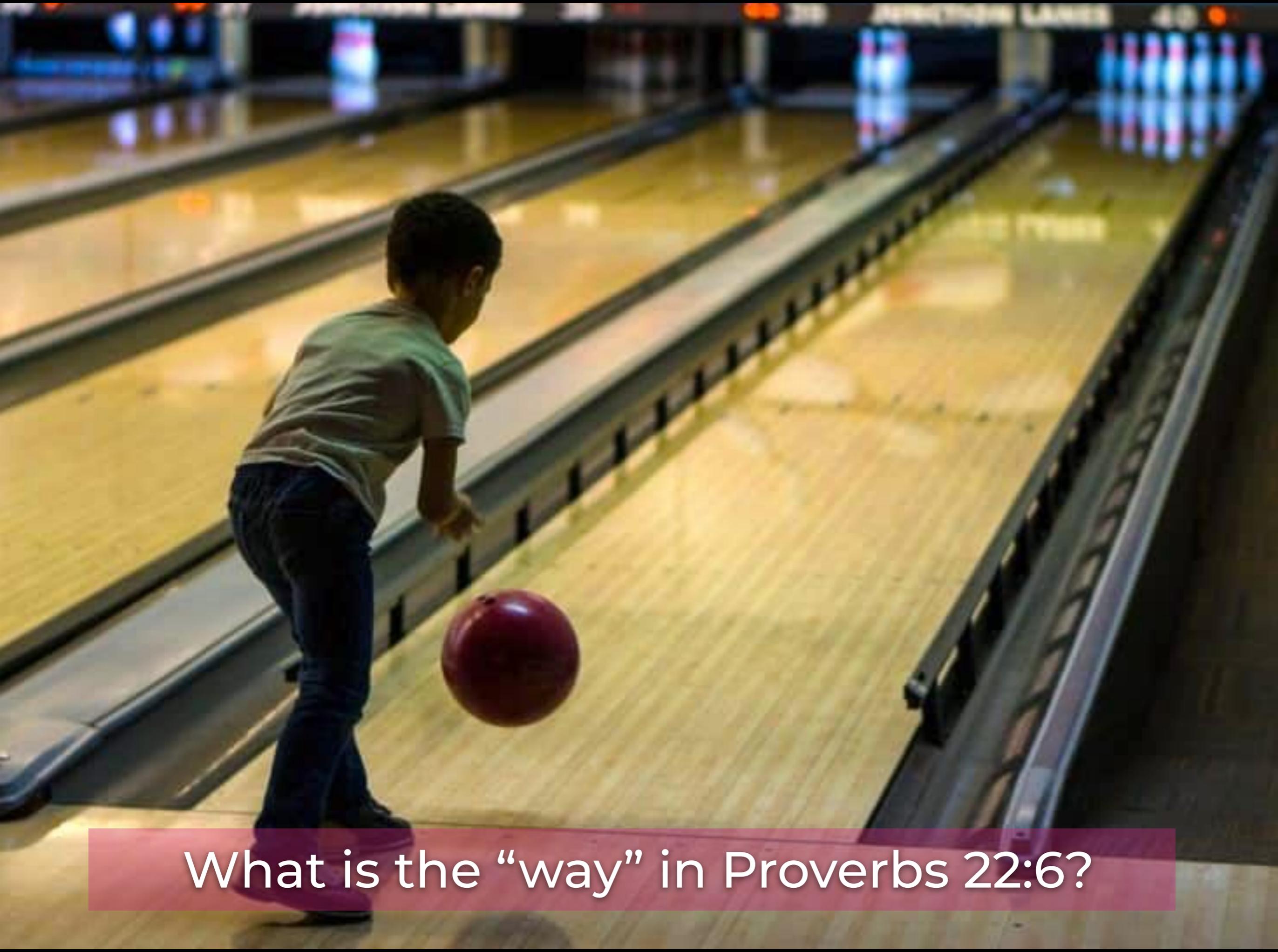


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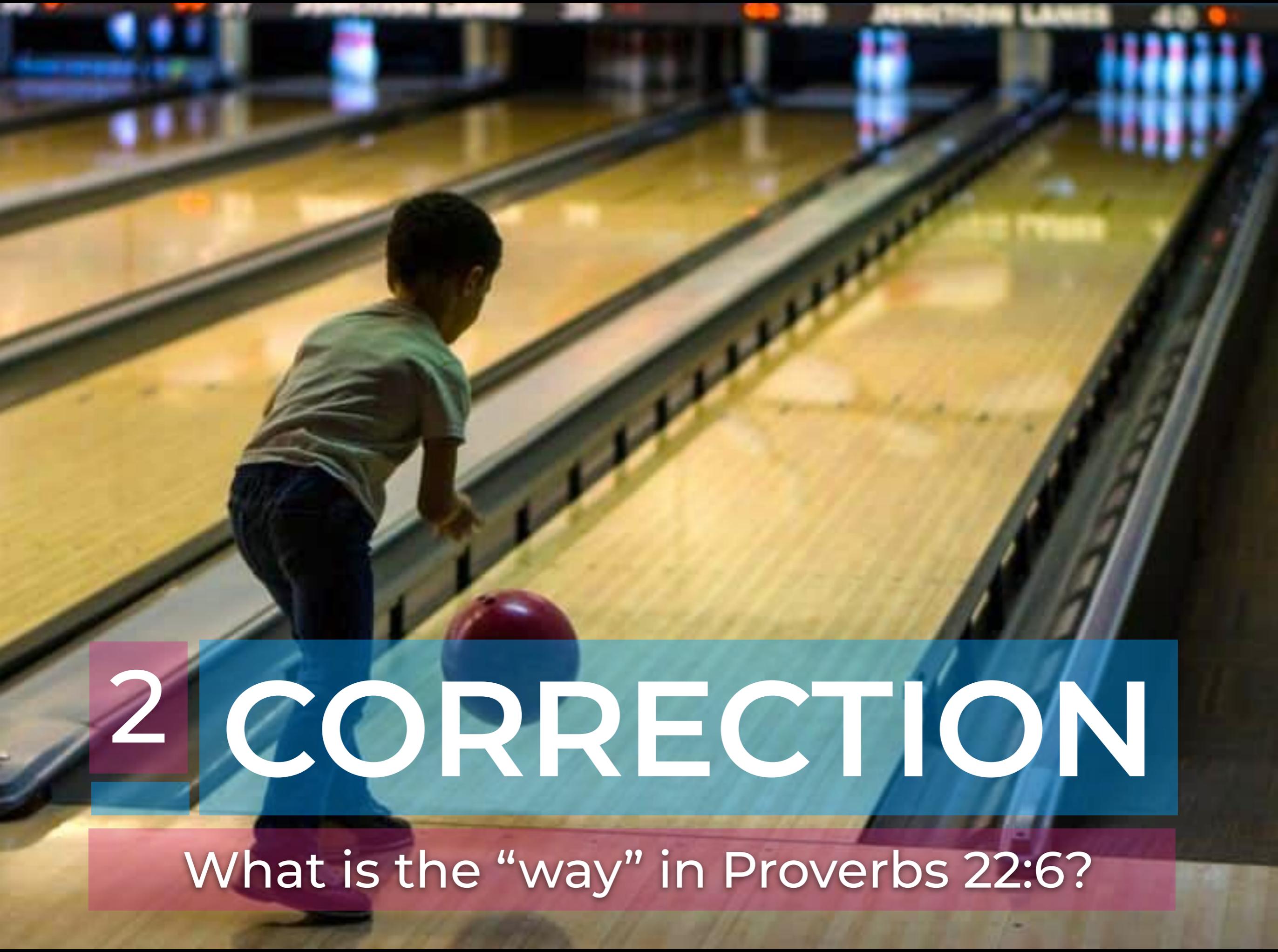
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Kids will tend to keep going in the same way.





What is the “way” in Proverbs 22:6?



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CORRECTION

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Proverbs 22:6

English Standard Version

*Literally, "Train up a child in his way"
Could mean "in a way that fits that child"
...or the whole verse could be a warning:
"Start them off getting their own way...
and they'll always think that way!"*

**Train up a child in [his] way ~~he should go;~~
even when he is old he will not depart from it.**

Proverbs 22:6
English Standard Version

“Folly is bound up in the heart of a child...”

Proverbs 22:15

English Standard Version

– HIS WAY –

**“Everyone did what was
right in his own eyes.”**

Judges 21:25b

English Standard Version

– GOD'S WAY –

**“bring them up in the
discipline and instruction
of the Lord”**

Ephesians 6:4b

English Standard Version



BOUNDARIES & CORRECTION

**Our job isn't giving
them their way, it's
narrowing their way.**

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DIRECTION

How do we apply Proverbs 22:6?



A LIVING MAP

**Highlight the route over
& over, with your life,
your teaching, and your
relationship with them.**



And Peter said to them, **“Repent and be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ **for the forgiveness of your sins,** and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:38
English Standard Version

For the promise is **for you and for your children**
and for all who are far off, everyone whom the
Lord our God calls to himself.”

Acts 2:39
English Standard Version

And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, **"Save yourselves** from this crooked generation."

Acts 2:40
English Standard Version

