



<b>SESSION I</b>	<b>"What Every Child Needs"</b> with Elisa Morgan
<b>BREAK</b>	15 Minutes
<b>SESSION II</b>	<b>"Growing a Healthy Family"</b> with Dr. Gary and Carrie Oliver
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<b>SESSION III</b>	<b>"Dealing with Childhood Misbehavior"</b> with Dr. Larry Mercer
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<b>SESSION V</b>	<b>"Dealing With Popular Culture"</b> Panel Discussion with Carla Barnhill
<b>LIVE Q&amp;A</b>	Q&A with Carla Barnhill as the moderator



# SECRETS TO GREAT PARENTING

## SATURDAY OCTOBER 13, 2001

**Elisa Morgan**

### ***Session One: What Every Child Needs***

#### **I. Parents Have Needs**

- A. Needs are normal
  
- B. Learn to recognize and meet your needs and be a better parent

#### **II. Children Have Needs**

- A. A child's main need is for love
  
- B. A parent needs to understand the shapes love takes at various ages and stages in a child's life
  
- C. A parent needs to recognize when his/her own needs bump a child's needs and what to do then
  
- D. Summary principles of parents needs

-You can begin to meet your child's needs by recognizing that you, too, have needs.  
-You can best meet your child's needs by understanding and accepting your child, but also by understanding and accepting yourself.  
-You can best meet your child's needs by realizing that you can't meet all of your child's needs all the time and other people can help.  
-You can best meet your child's needs by examining what you liked and didn't like in the way you were parented.  
-You can best meet your child's needs by focusing on the main thing: loving your child. The rest will eventually fall into place.

#### **III. The Nine Needs of Children**

- A. SECURITY                    "Hold-Me-Close-Love"

**B. AFFIRMATION**      “Crazy-About-Me-Love”1. What Your Child Needs: Mirrored Messages

I'll always love you! -  
I believe in you! -  
I'm on your side! -  
I'm your greatest fan! –

2. Where You Might Bump:

-“I don't know how to affirm.” – Start simple

-“I'm not really crazy about my child right now.” – Grieve and go

3. How to Give Affirmation:**C. BELONGING**      “Fit-Me-Into-The-Family-Love”**D. DISCIPLINE**      “Give-Me-Limits-Love”1. What Your Child Needs:

Limits which provide protection -  
Security -  
Respect -  
Responsibility -  
Training –

2. Where You Might Bump:

-“I want you to like me.” – Remember your goal

-“I want life to be easy.” – Choose the long run

-“I'm angry!” – Take time out for you

3. How to Give Discipline:**E. GUIDANCE**      “Show-Me-And-Tell-Me-Love”

## F. RESPECT “Let-Me-Be-Me-Love”

1. What Your Child Needs:

To be known and understood –

2. Where You Might Bump:

-“I may expect too much of my child.” – Own it

-“I have to admit I’m disappointed with my child.” – Accept your child, and yourself

3. How to Give Respect:

## G. PLAY “Play-With-Me-Love”

## H. INDEPENDENCE “Let-Me-Grow-Up-Love”

1. What Your Child Needs:

Identity -  
Responsibility -  
Self-discipline -  
Self-confidence -

2. Where You Might Bump:

-“I need for things to stay the same!” – Figure out why

-“I need to be needed as a parent.” – Remember the real source of your worth.

-“I need not to worry!” – Choose faith. Remember whose child this is.

3. How to Give Independence:

## I. HOPE “Help-Me-Hope-Love”



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**Dr. Gary and Carrie Oliver  
*Session Two: Growing a Healthy Family***

**I. The Challenge of Growing a Healthy Family**

A. The Changing Face of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Family

B. The Changing World of Our Children

Did you know that **in the next 24 hours:**

- \* 1,000 unwed teenage girls will become mothers
- \* 500 adolescents will begin using drugs
- \* 6 teens will commit suicide
- \* 2,200 teens will drop out of high school
- \* 7 kids (ages 10-19) will be murdered
- \* 1,106 teenage girls will get an abortion
- \* 4,219 teenagers will contract a sexually transmitted disease
- \* 3,610 teens will be assaulted; 80 will be raped
- \* 2,750 kids will watch their parents separate or divorce
- \* 7 juveniles who are 17 and under will be arrested for murder

**II. Healthy Families Cultivate Each Child’s Uniqueness**

A. Unique by Gender

B. Unique by Personality

**III. Healthy Families Cultivate an Emotionally Safe Environment**

A. Created in God’s Image . . . Emotions Included

B. What Are Emotions and Why Are They Important?

C. Making Anger Work For You and Your Children

1. What Is Anger and Why Is It Such A Critical Emotion?

a. A strong feeling of \_\_\_\_\_ or displeasure

b. A state of \_\_\_\_\_ Anger is \_\_\_\_\_

c. A \_\_\_\_\_ emotion experienced in response to a \_\_\_\_\_ emotion such as fear, hurt or frustration

2. Why is anger such a major problem?

a. It is the most \_\_\_\_\_ emotion

b. It is one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of all the emotions

c. When not properly understood and dealt with, it is one of the most \_\_\_\_\_

d. Anger has definite \_\_\_\_\_ effects

3. What are the major causes of anger?

a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ c. \_\_\_\_\_

4. What are some healthy ways to deal with anger?

a. Biblical Principles:

- 1. Ephesians 4: 31; Col 3:8
- 2. Col 3:21; Prov 15:1; 20:2
- 3. Prov 15:18; 16:32; 19:11; 29:11
- 4. Prov 22:24-25; 29:22
- 5. Mark 3:5; Eph 4:26

b. Have a \_\_\_\_\_ to deal with anger!

- 1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ of it
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for it . . . to God, others and yourself
- 3. Determine at the outset who/what is going to have the \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ it . . . identify the cause/source of it
- 5. Choose your \_\_\_\_\_. How are you going to choose to use the energy

<b>SPEND</b>	<b>INVEST</b>

c. Remember:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ it, then \_\_\_\_\_ it

2. Healthy expressions of anger never ask “who’s right and who’s wrong?” but rather “what can God help us learn from this discussion that will contribute to a stronger and more satisfying relationship?”

5. The 9 Magic Words Guaranteed To Transform Any Relationship

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. So Now What?**

A. The Deuteronomy 6:4-9 Principle

1. What Kids Need From Dad

a. Be \_\_\_\_\_

b. Be \_\_\_\_\_

c. Be \_\_\_\_\_

d. Be \_\_\_\_\_

e. Be \_\_\_\_\_

f. Be \_\_\_\_\_

2. What Kids Need From Mom

3. What Kids Need From the Marriage

B. Just Do It!



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**Dr. Larry Mercer**

### ***Session Three: Dealing With Childhood Misbehavior***

#### **I. Introduction**

#### **II. The Myth: “Our Actions Can Guarantee ‘Problem-free’ Parenting”**

References: (*Genesis 1:27-31; 2:8-9, 15-17; 3:6-8*)

#### **Our Hearts Have a Natural Propensity to Reject Authority**

- Psalm 58:3 – Every person’s heart is prone \_\_\_\_\_
- I John 1:5-10 – Every person \_\_\_\_\_

#### **III. Understanding Childhood Misbehavior**

All Childhood Behavior is Focused on Meeting the Child’s Needs in One of the Following Areas:

- Satisfaction –
- Affirmation –
- Attention –
- Association –

References: (*Job 5:7, Psalm 58:3, Proverbs 22:15, 1 John 1:5-10*)

#### **IV. Responding to Childhood Misbehavior**

##### **A. Scripture Gives Us Several Guiding Insights That Should Govern Our Approach To Responding To Childhood Misbehavior:**

- **Calm Spirit** – Proverbs 14:17 “A quick-tempered man acts foolishly, and a man of evil devices is hated.”
- **Thoughtful Actions** – Proverbs 15:28 “The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things.”
- **Focused Intervention** – Proverbs 21:9 “It is better to live in a corner of a roof, than in a house shared with a contentious woman.”

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- **Sensitivity** – Colossians 3:21 “Fathers, do not exasperate your children, that they may not lose heart.”
- **Edifying Words** – Ephesians 4:29 “Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear.”  
(Scriptures in NASV)

#### A. Three Types of Intervention Strategies

- **Early Intervention Strategies**  
*Teach New Ways of Gaining Attention -*  
  
*Provide a Variety of Fun Experiences -*  
  
*Create New Network of Friends -*  
  
*Consider Changing Diet and Personal Habits -*
- **Intermediate Intervention Strategies**  
*Provide Mentoring Support -*  
  
*Keep Your Child Involved in Positive Activities -*  
  
*Place the Child in Structured Programs -*  
  
*Consider Special Health Support -*
- **Crisis Intervention Strategies**  
*Link with Pastoral or Professional Counseling -*  
  
*Consider Accessing Therapeutic Programs -*  
  
*Consider an Out-of-Home Placement Temporarily -*  
  
*Have the Child Evaluated for Specialized Attention (Medical, etc.) -*

### V. Guiding Your Child to a Pattern of Positive Behavior

#### Make Sure Your Child Has Their Basic Needs Met:

- *Personalized Instruction & Guidance*
- *Adequate Rest*
- *Emotional Support & Encouragement*
- *Healthy Diet*
- *Positive Support System (family, peers, community of faith)*
- *Physical Activity*
- *Appropriate Supervision*

## VI. Maintaining a Biblical Response to Misbehavior

### Luke 15:11-32

- *Consequences for improper decisions and actions*
- *Experience-based learning*
- *Compassionate guidance*
- *Constant concern*
- *Affirmational leadership*
- *Provision for personal needs*

## VII. Application

- A. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Address the basic needs in your child's life to prevent as much misbehavior as possible by providing:
- *Personalized Instruction & Guidance*
  - *Adequate Rest*
  - *Emotional Support & Encouragement*
  - *Healthy Diet*
  - *Positive Support System (family, peers, community of faith)*
  - *Physical Activity*
  - *Appropriate Supervision*
- B. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Expect humanity, not divinity; your child will make mistakes
- C. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Think about the child's needs and causes of misbehavior rather than simply focusing on the inconvenience and problems
- D. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Attack the problems, not the person, when there is misbehavior
- E. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Turn the instance of misbehavior into a teaching opportunity
- F. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Always contribute to the child's personal growth and development; not injuring or causing long-term harm to the child
- G. Be \_\_\_\_\_ - Take action that will cultivate godly character in the life of your child



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**Steve and Valerie Bell**

***Session Four: Raising Faith-Shaped Kids in Really Scary Times***

**Introduction**

**I. In Really Scary Times, Kids Need Really \_\_\_\_\_**

A. Children Grow in the \_\_\_\_\_ of their Parents' \_\_\_\_\_

B. Give Your Children the Essential Spiritual Tools

1.

2.

3.

**II. In Really Scary Times, Kids Need to Know There Is a Really**

\_\_\_\_\_

A. God Is in the Messes of Our Lives

B. God Is in the Messes of the World

The sure ending is: God \_\_\_\_\_ the last \_\_\_\_\_

**III. In Really Scary Times, Kids Need to Know That \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Are Real**

A. The Halls Are Full of Angels

B. Extreme Comfort for Extreme Times

C. When Mom or Dad Can't Make It Right

Some things only \_\_\_\_\_ can \_\_\_\_\_

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