

A lush forest scene with large, moss-covered rocks and trees. The ground is covered in vibrant green moss, and the trees are tall and thin, creating a dense canopy. The lighting is soft, suggesting a misty or overcast day.

## The Trail ahead:

Sept 1<sup>st</sup>: The power of Testimony

Sept 8<sup>th</sup>: Journey through the Bible

Sept 15<sup>th</sup>: Living empowered by the Holy Spirit

# Fathered by God

## Part 7: Delighting in His Discipline





# Defining Discipline



## Proverbs 3:11-12

My son, do not despise the Lord's *discipline* (**towkechah**)  
and do not resent his rebuke,  
because the Lord *disciplines* (**yakach**) those he loves,  
as a father the son he delights in. NIV

## 1 Corinthians 9:25-27

25 Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. 26 So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. 27 But I **discipline** my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified. ESV

Self discipline -

**hupopiazō (hoop-o-pee-ad'-zo)**

to hit under the eye (buffet or disable an antagonist as a pugilist), i.e. (figuratively) to tease or annoy (into compliance), subdue (one's passions)

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## Discipline -

1. The treatment suited to a disciple or learner; education; development of the faculties by instruction and exercise; training, whether physical, mental, or moral.
2. Training to act in accordance with established rules; accustoming to systematic and regular action; drill.
3. Subjection to rule; submissiveness to order and control; habit of obedience.
4. Severe training, corrective of faults; instruction by means of misfortune, suffering, punishment, etc.
5. Correction; chastisement; punishment inflicted by way of correction and training.

## Hebrews 12:4-11

4 In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. 5 And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

6 For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

## Hebrews 12:4-11

7 It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? 8 If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. 9 Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? 10 For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. 11 For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the **peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.** ESV

paideia (pahee-di'-ah)

tutorage, i.e. education or training; by implication,  
disciplinary correction



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A photograph of a forest floor covered in vibrant green moss. Large, rounded rocks are scattered throughout, many of which are completely covered in the moss. Several thin tree trunks stand in the background, and a dirt path is visible on the right side of the image. The overall atmosphere is serene and natural.

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Corrective Discipline

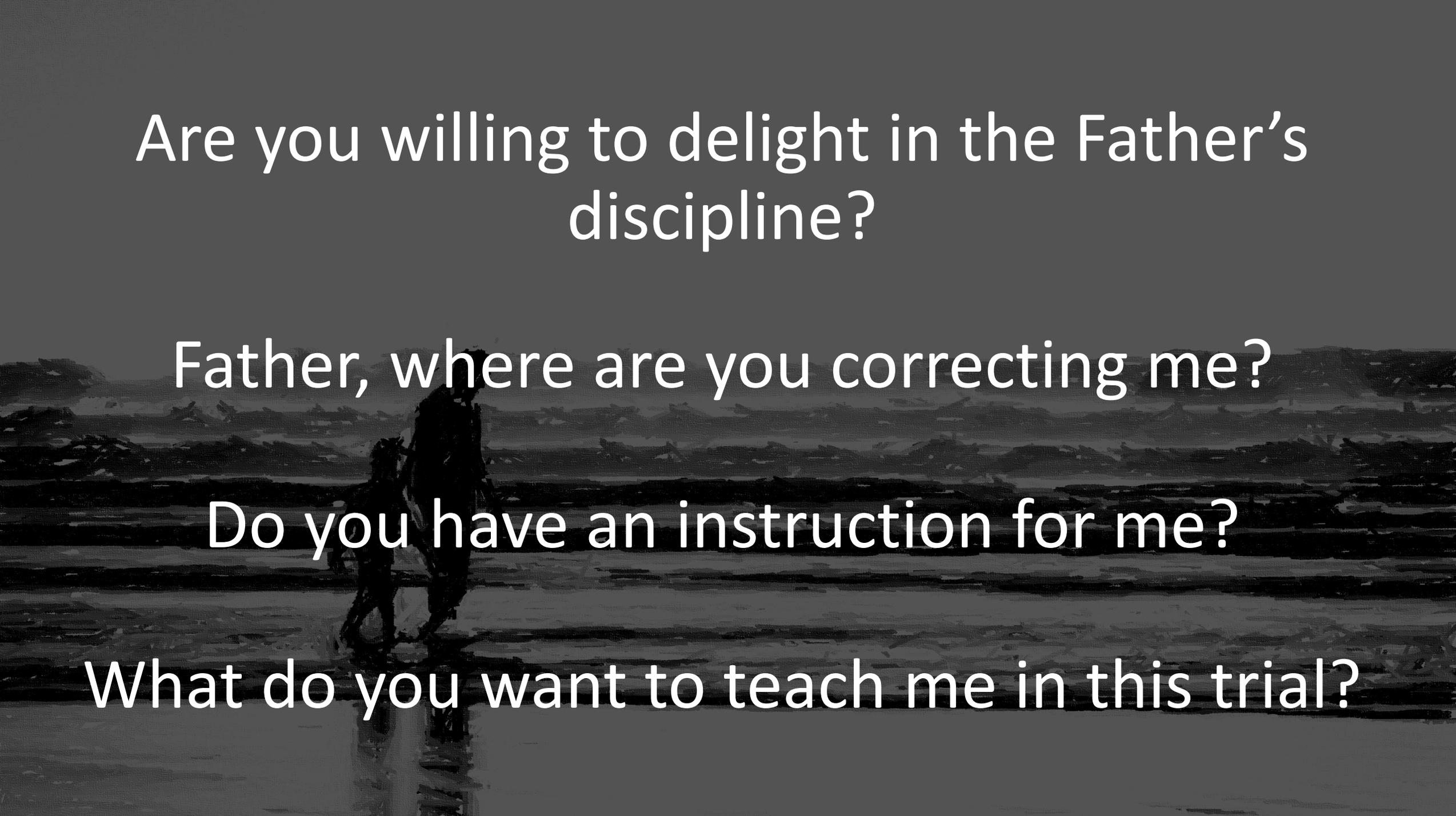
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Instructive Discipline



Are you willing to delight in the Father's  
discipline?

Father, where are you correcting me?

Do you have an instruction for me?

What do you want to teach me in this trial?