

# Epistle 278

by George Fox

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*George Fox's Epistle 278 stresses the necessity of discipline and authority in guiding youth to honor God.*

**Scripture:** Job 39:5, Hosea 10:11, Romans 2:23, Galatians 5:1

**Topics:** "Christian Discipline", "Youth Ministry"

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## Description

George Fox preaches about the importance of apprentices serving faithfully according to covenant, emphasizing the need for order and discipline to prevent youth from falling into dishonor by indulging in looseness. He warns against giving too much freedom to the youth, as true liberty is found in Christ Jesus, who gives authority over behaviors that dishonor God.

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## Transcript

And friends, see that all apprentices that are bound amongst you may serve out their times faithfully, according to covenant, that all may know their places; for youth, if they be let loose, are like wild asses [Job 39:5], and wild heifers [Hos 10:11]; and such many times bring a great dishonour to God [Rom 2:23], by running into looseness; which are more fit to be under rule and order, than to rule; and through a foolish pity of some, they let up a great deal of airiness and wildness in them: all which should be kept under by the power of God, wherein the honour of the Lord may be preserved; and so, that liberty may not be given to youth in those cases; for the true liberty is in Christ Jesus [Gal 5:1], which gives authority over that which will dishonour God. . . . .

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