CHILDREN: REFLECTION OF THE PARENTS

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“Kung ano ang puno, siya ring bunga.” This is the common saying that echoes from the elders when it comes to comparing the behavior of children to their parents. This comparison is not to disappoint the new generation but to encourage them to live ones’ life meaningfully for whatever may happen, the manner the young generation acts is the manifestation on how he or she was reared by his or her parents. Thus, children’s behavior is the reflection of the kind of parents they have.

Upbringing starts at home. On this place one has learn most of what he or she knows. This has a great influence on his or her life or what she or he will be in the future. This shows the direct relationship of parents to their children. They serve as the role model to their children. And so, whatever they do, in the eyes of the children, those are pleasing and correct. Therefore, it is one way of saying that parents are the children’s first teacher. What they know are first taught at their homes. The first word, emotion and intelligence even though innate are affected by the people surrounding the children. What he sees and hears are imitated easily because they are regarded as paragons. They believed that what their parents portray are all true, right and moral.

Speculations as to whether the child’s attitude and behavior are inherent or acquired had been a topic for discussion for the longest time. Although much has to be proved for any attestation, certainly, some of the behavior displayed by the children resembled their parents. Thus, we say that the children’s personalities are inherited from their parents. But, the truth is, these are learned and transmitted from generation to generation not by genes but by mechanism of personality. (Tumangday, 2015). As such, the responsibility of producing productive children rely but not entirely on the parents and how their children look up to them. According to Bly, “Your children will become what you are; so be what you want them to be.”
The young minds of the children are like empty vessels. What to be filled in are first initiated from parents in their homes. If good traits, behavior and manners are invested, we may conclude that they will be instilled in the child’s personality and will be polished by other factors as time passes by. The way parents respond to circumstances and other people may affect how the children will respond to such circumstances and other people. How the parents resolve problems can be the ideal way for the children to resolve their problems as well. Also, the goals of the parents may be mirrored by their children. Most importantly, the mind-setting of the children are influenced significantly by their parents’ mind-setting.

Therefore, whatever behavior of the children manifested to either in school or in the community, are all reflection of what they had experienced in the house. It is because everything starts at home. It is the prime responsibility of the parents to provide good examples to their children. Further, to whatever influences he or she may encounter, he or she will not be tempted to act in opposite for it is clear that he or she has to do what is right for his or her parents taught the right path.

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