

# UNIQUE AND IN SYNC

EMBRACING GOD'S DESIGN IN  
YOUR CHILD'S UNIQUE PERSONALITY

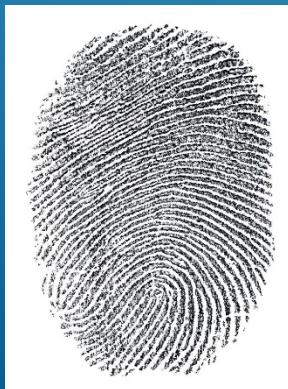


# THE LORD IS ONE

DEUTERONOMY 6:1


So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.  
Genesis 1:27

- ▶ Your child is created in the image of God...ONE OF A KIND!



- ▶ **I praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.**
- ▶ Oh yes, you shaped me first inside, then out; you formed me in my mother's womb. I thank you, High God—you're breathtaking! Body and soul, I am marvelously made! I worship in adoration—what a creation! You know me inside and out, you know every bone in my body; You know exactly how I was made, bit by bit, how I was sculpted from nothing into something.
- ▶ Psalm 139

## TIPS FOR EMBRACING GOD' UNIQUE DESIGN

- Focus on the Goal –in Sync with God
  - Use Strengths and Weaknesses to Point to God
  - Don't confuse personality and sin
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# UNFOLD AND MOLD

The background of the slide is a vertical sequence of four oak trees, each representing a different season. From left to right: 1. Winter: A bare oak tree with dark, intricate branches against a dark, starry night sky. 2. Spring: An oak tree with fresh, bright green leaves against a light, hazy sky. 3. Summer: An oak tree with lush, vibrant green leaves against a bright, sunny sky. 4. Autumn: An oak tree with vibrant red and orange leaves against a warm, golden sky. The trees are set against a background of a landscape with a body of water and a distant shore.

## Personality

An oak tree remains an oak even when the seasons change it's appearance

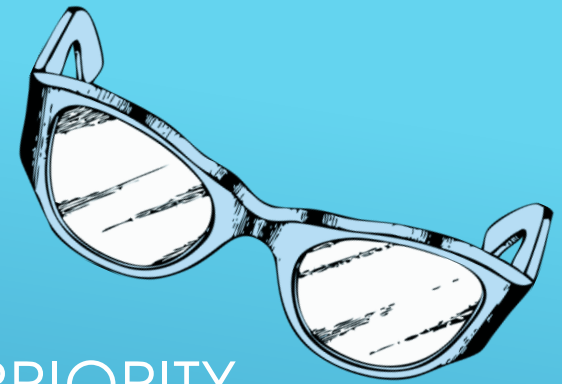
**Personality is  
UNFOLDED**

## Character

The oak tree may grow in various ways, both healthy & unhealthy

**Character is  
MOLDED**

# PERSONALITY



## PACE

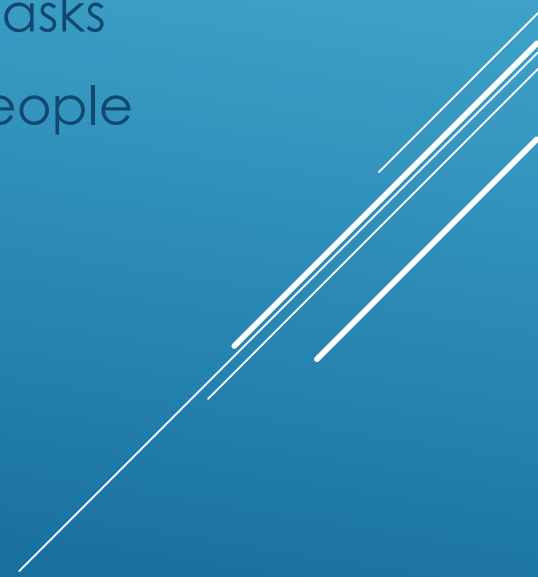
*The speed of your  
internal motor*

- ▶ Fast
- ▶ Slow

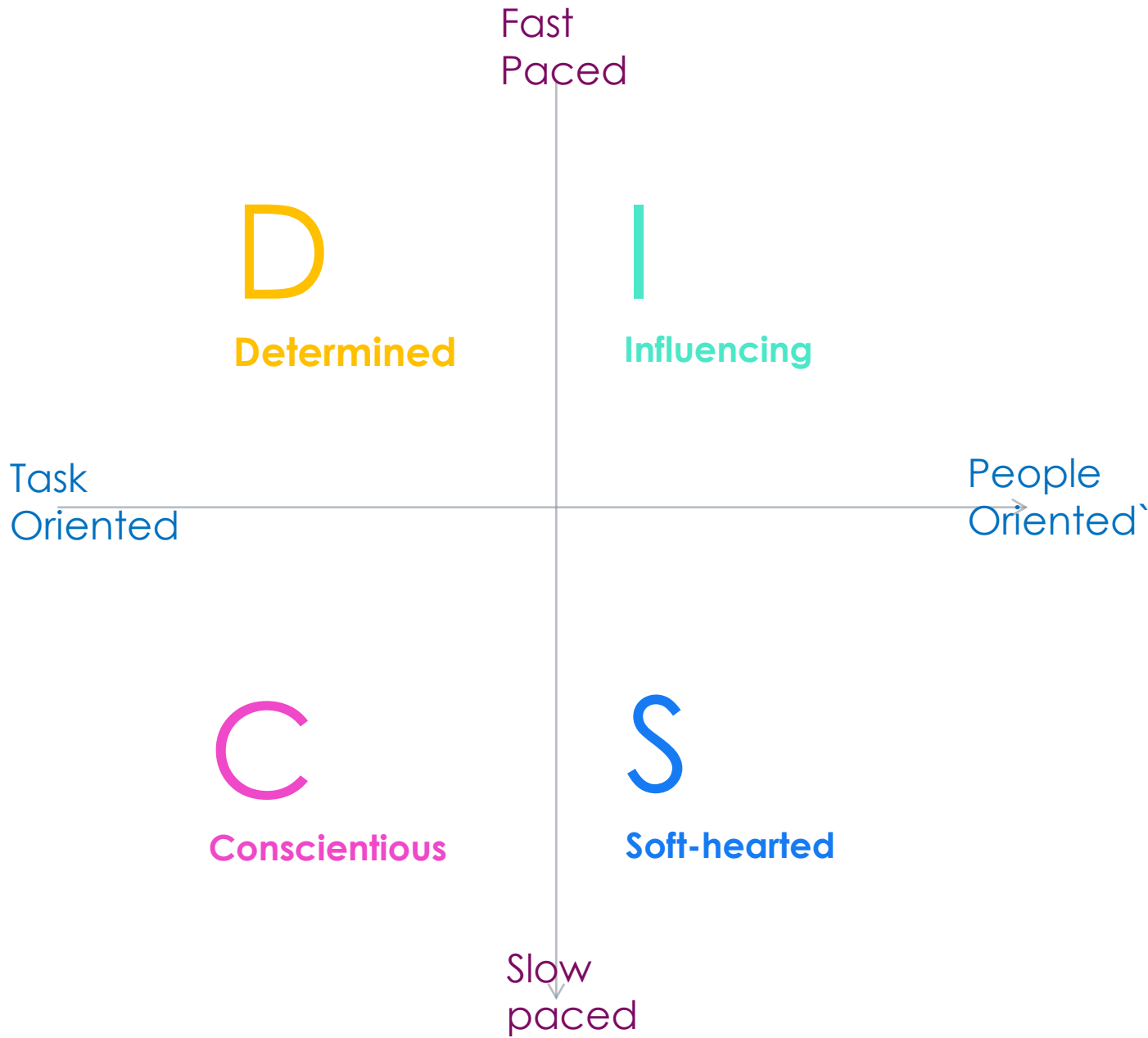
## PRIORITY

*Your natural preference*

- ▶ Tasks
- ▶ People



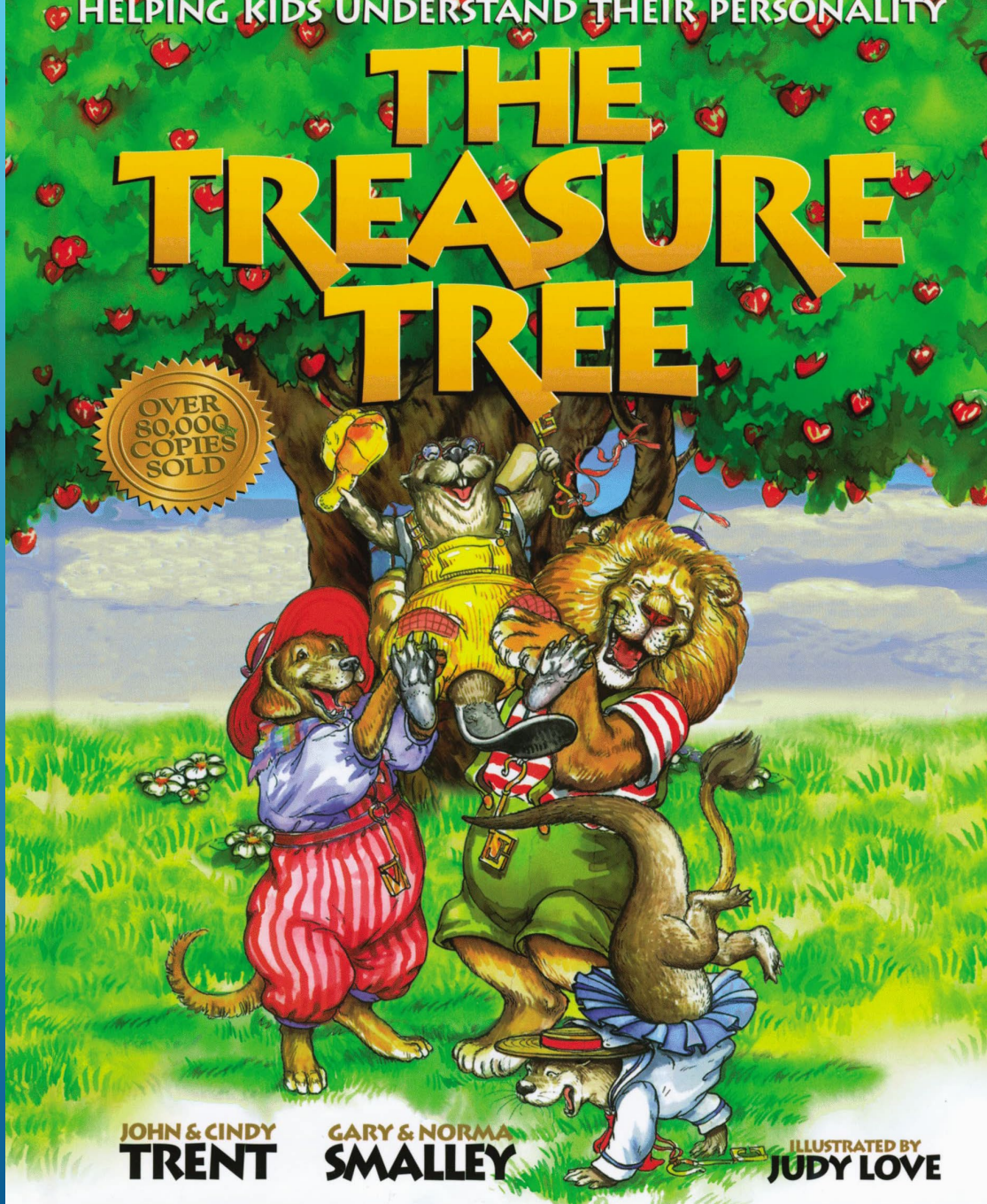
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D = DIRECTIVE PARENTS  
DETERMINED KIDS





# DETERMINED KIDS

## CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ Confident
- ▶ Courageous
- ▶ Commanding
- ▶ Decisive



## PARENTING TIPS

- ▶ Need activity
- ▶ Opportunities to lead where it's appropriate
- ▶ Help learning to follow
- ▶ Teach to relax & to be compassionate

# DIRECTIVE PARENTS

## DIRECTIVE PARENTS

- ▶ **Extreme= Autocratic!**
- ▶ Fear losing control
- ▶ Slow down
- ▶ Be attentive to relationships
- ▶ Admit when you're wrong

*Favorite phrase: "Just do it!"  
or "Because I said so!"*





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INTERACTIVE PARENTS  
INFLUENCING KIDS



# I=INFLUENCING CHILDREN

## CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ Party waiting to happen
- ▶ Social; like groups
- ▶ Eager to please
- ▶ Optimistic
- ▶ Talkative
- ▶ Spontaneous



## PARENTING TIPS

- ▶ Never be critical in public
- ▶ Need time with friends;
- ▶ Large doses of hugs and kisses
- ▶ Thrive on your attention & encouragement
- ▶ Teach them to deal with peer pressure

# INTERACTIVE PARENTS

## **Extreme= Permissive !**

- ▶ Be willing to be the parent & not just the friend
- ▶ Be firm in communicating limits
- ▶ Be aware of your difficulty in saying “no”
- ▶ Focus on listening well

*Favorite Phrase: “Have a good time!”*

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S=

SUPPORTIVE PARENTS  
SOFT-HEARTED KIDS

# SOFT-HEARTED KIDS

## CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ Steadfast, loyal
- ▶ Team players
- ▶ Prefer familiarity--dislike change!
- ▶ Peacemakers
- ▶ Love to serve



## PARENTING TIPS

- ▶ Keep home as stable and secure as possible
- ▶ Prepare for change
- ▶ Provide personal assurance and support
- ▶ Help them learn to make decisions
- ▶ Be attentive to keeping promises

# SUPPORTIVE PARENTS

- ▶ **Extreme=Accommodating !**
- ▶ Don't always rescue--let them experience consequences
- ▶ Be more decisive and stick to the rules you've developed (Don't cave!)
- ▶ Keep your own emotional tank full

*Favorite phrase: "Just get along!"*

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C=

Careful parents

Conscientious kids



# CONSCIENTIOUS KIDS

## CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ High standards
- ▶ Attentive to details
- ▶ Self-disciplined
- ▶ Analytical & orderly
- ▶ Cautious



## PARENTING TIPS

- ▶ Help them develop tolerance for imperfection
- ▶ Focus on who they are and not just on what they do
- ▶ Give them time for decision making
- ▶ Carefully bring them out of their shell
- ▶ Help them socialize

# CORRECTIVE PARENTS

## Extreme= Perfectionists!

- ▶ Avoid perfectionism by working towards spontaneity and fun
- ▶ Watch that plans and tasks don't take higher priority than people (Write "Play" on your to do list!)
- ▶ Caution against too many questions
- ▶ Voice disapproval in caring ways

*Favorite phrase: "Just be careful!"*

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different  
Children,  
different  
Needs



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Words of Jesus:

*“My grace is sufficient for you  
for my strength is made perfect in weakness.”*

II Cor. 12:9