

I deal with topic "Physical punishment of children by parents" in my final work. The aim of my work is to find opinions and attitudes expressed by students of Pastoral and Social Work at Evangelistic Theological Faculty, Charles University of Prague, concerning the problematic of physical punishment. I think that opinions on the topic between lay and professional community differ, and there is need of more discussion. I have chosen students as I share age, lifestyle and ideas with this group of people. I study these opinions from the perspective of both full-time and part-time students, because I'm interested in the possibly contrasting ways the problematic of physical punishment is perceived by my peer group and by part-time students, who can be much older and have much more experience with bringing up children. I intentionally study opinions of men and woman separately, because I think that it is interesting to find out about the views of women as potential mothers and men as potential fathers on the problematic. I want to achieve my aim by quantitative research, using the means questionnaire. I also establish a presumption: „ I don't consider prohibition of all forms of physical punishment completely correct and necessary, and I think that students of Pastoral and Social Work will be of the same opinion. “ My final work contains also opinions of professional community (social workers and psychologists) on prohibition of physical punishment. With this target group, however, I use other methods of examination than with the students.