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Last week Steve and I attended a fundraiser with Greg Mortenson.

Mortenson is the author of the best selling book 3 Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace - One School at a Time. We both read it years ago and support his

organization. <http://www.threecupsoftea.com/> His story is powerful and is making a profound difference in the world.

People love stories. They teach us important lessons.

The following is a parenting story inspired by Mortenson's role as a ray of sunlight, instead of taking a hard stance to get changes to happen. The road less traveled has the greatest impact.

Parenting like the Elements

There was a boy name Tim and he loved the Oakland A's. He was the only member of his family who was an A's fan; everybody else liked the San Francisco Giants. It seemed everyone wanted him to like the S.F. Giants too.

To show his support for his favorite team, Tim would wear an A's hooded sweatshirt. Wind, Rain and Sun did not like this. They wanted him to take it off.

So Wind, Rain and Sun got together and made a bet with one another. Each was confident that they knew the best way to get Tim to take off his sweatshirt.

Wind went first. He began to blow a whisper through Tim's ear, "Take off your sweatshirt." It was gentle at first, "Take off your sweatshirt." But Tim didn't respond.

Wind was upset and began to blow harder, "TAKE OFF THAT SWEATSHIRT." Tim zipped it up and kept walking. The wind whipped harder and harder.

Tim pulled over his hood to protect his face. He tried to avoid the wind and pulled the string tight to keep it from blowing off. Wind blew with ferocity.

Rain jumped in.

"Let me show you how to do it! I know how to get Tim to take off his sweatshirt."

Rain started to sprinkle. Tim tried to run away. Rain began to pour, and then out of anger started throwing his icy pebbles. Tim only ran faster and faster trying to find protection.

Rain intensified his methods and the pebbles grew. They hurt.

Tim ran until he found a place to hide under a bridge. Alone he sat, wet and cold, with nowhere to turn.

Sun finally stepped in to stop the nonsense.

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Sun settled the winds and cleared the rain clouds, and then she opened up her big blue arms and warmly held the scared boy.

Tim peeked out from under the bridge. The sun felt good. Her sun soaked smile dried his sweatshirt. He removed his hood.

Tim grew warm. Sun cranked up her heat. Tim started to get hot. And he took off his sweatshirt and settled on a rock to enjoy the sunshine.

The end.

What's your primary parenting style? Do you yell, threaten, bribe, pout or coerce to get your child to do what you want? Only to find it doesn't work. This is because people refuse to be swayed by force.

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If you are struggling with how to parent like the sun we have some great new resources to help you out.

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