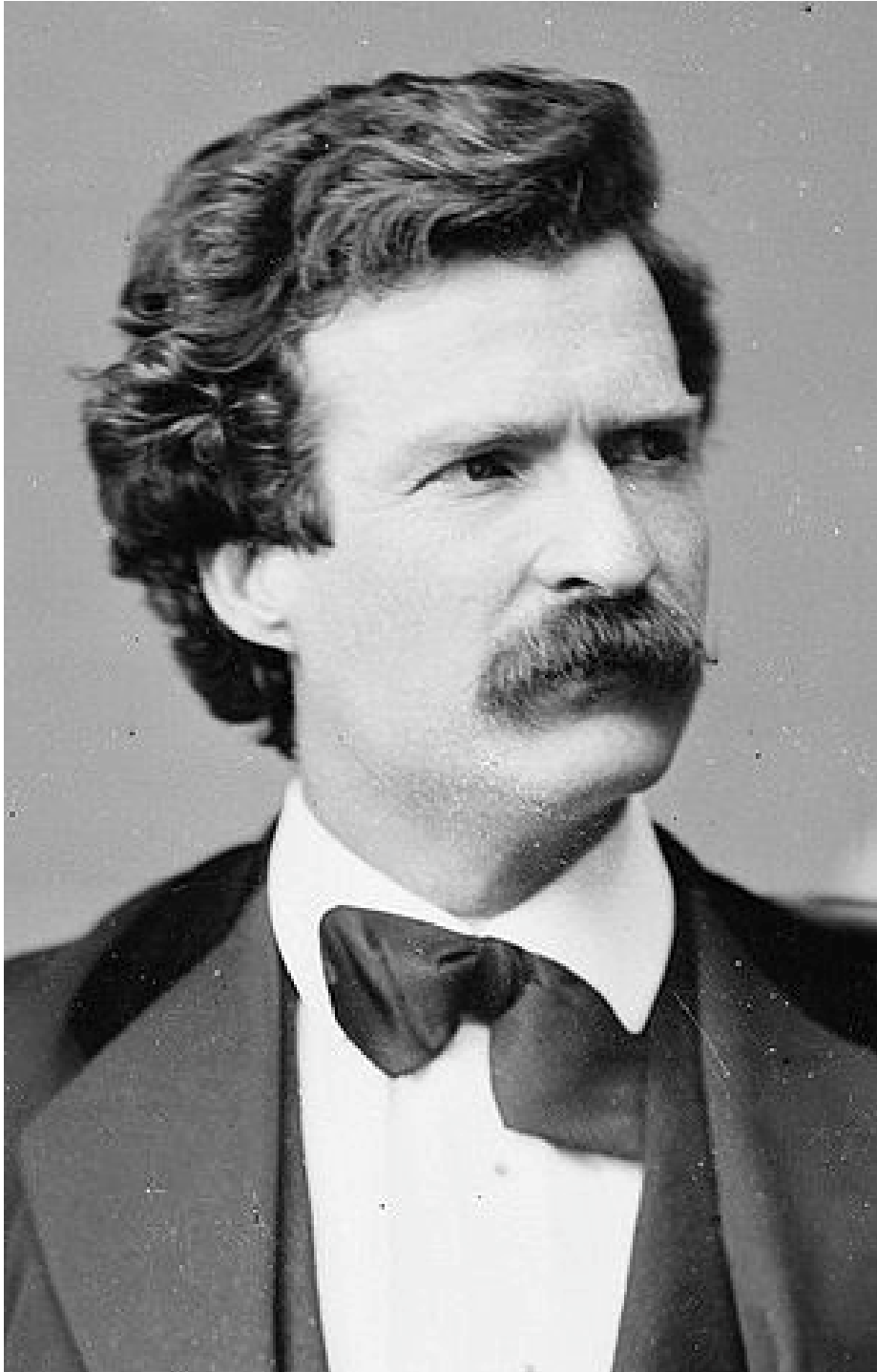


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Mark Twain

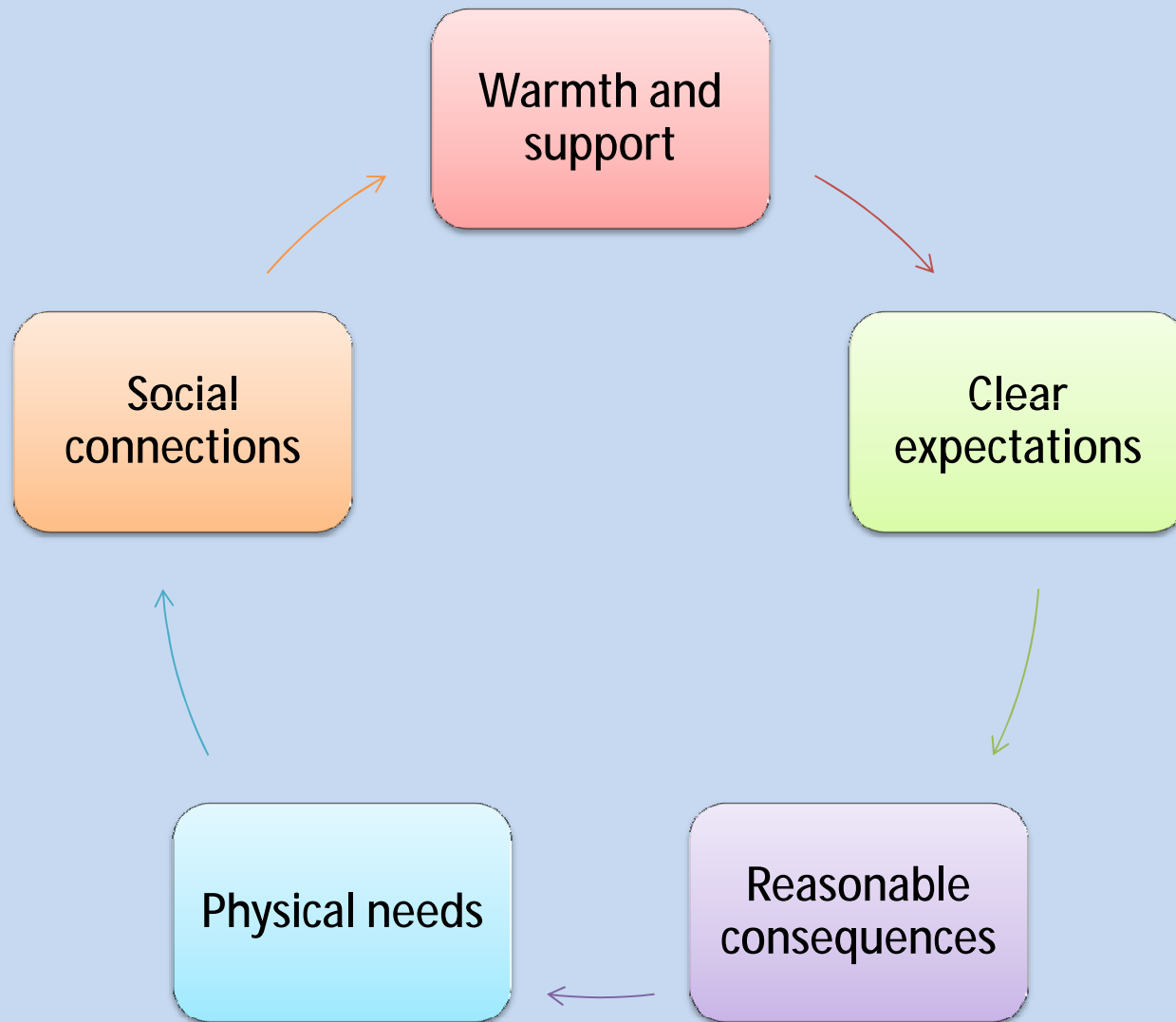
Re-Defining Young Adulthood

- Adult roles and expectations:
 - Timing and role accumulation
- Experiences and transitions
- Changing expectations impact young adults and parents

Themes of Successful Parenting

- Roots in childhood and adolescence
- Advising 21st century children with 20th century knowledge and experience
- Changing economy

Parenting Children and Adolescents



Parenting Young Adults

- Identify effective parenting behaviors
- General agreement in the literature
- Acknowledge the changing relationship

Mutual
Respect

Economics

Personal
Responsibility and
Independence

Social Support

Communication

Parent-Child History

Parenting and Money

- Financial support
 - where's the money coming from?
- Financial socialization
 - managing money
 - smart debt
 - resources - not always \$\$\$

Promoting Positive Parenting

- How parents get information
- What if your young adult child is not going to college?

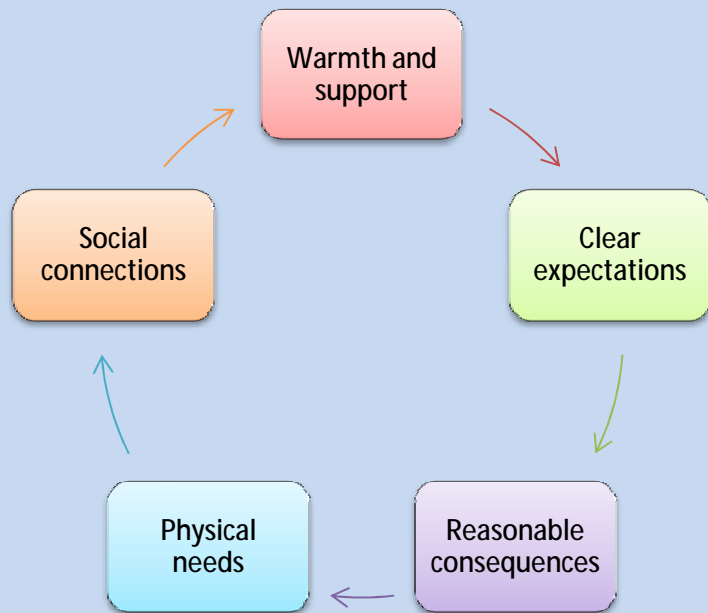
Barriers to Good Parenting

- High hopes and expectations
- Barriers and constraints
- Vulnerable youth

Future Directions

- The forgotten half
- Immigrant youth
- Role of race, ethnicity, culture, and religion
- Linking research, policy, and application
- Effects of the Great Recession

Final Thoughts



- Promoting the health, safety, happiness, and well-being of parents and YA children
- A collaborative effort
- Parents can't do this alone!