

### Honor Your Parents



MEMORY VERSE: "Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you." Exodus 20:12



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1. What is God's Fifth Commandment?

2. Review the definition of honor. What do you think it means to honor your parents?

3. Why do you think God gave us parents?



Various God's Instructions For Parenting

4. Read the verses about parenting on the Scripture page. What do these verses tell us about a parent's role in raising their children?

5. How do these verses change the way you feel when your parents teach or discipline you?

6. Some of our parents follow God's instructions for parenting and some do not. All parents are not perfect, yet God has placed them in authority over us. How can you honor your parents?



## Ephesians 6:1-3 Honoring Your Parents Pleases the Lord

7. Read Ephesians 6:1-3. How is this command special? What do you think that means?
8. Is it easy for you to honor your parents? Why or why not?
9. What are some specific ways you can show your parents that you honor them - with your attitude and your actions?

### BELIEVE THE TRUTH

Honoring our parents pleases the Lord. Honoring our parents is another way to show God that we love and honor Him. God purposely gave us our parents to care for us physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Family is very important to God.

### PRAY THE TRUTH

Dear God, Thank you for caring for me through the adults in my life that watch over me. And I thank you specifically for my parents, I realize they are gifts from you (even if they aren't perfect). Amen.

### WALK IN TRUTH



How has studying these Scriptures changed your thoughts on honoring and obeying your parents?

What changes will you make this week to honor your parents?

## Various References (NLT)

Exodus 20:12: “Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you.”

**Honoring parents:** show respect to; value; give authority in one’s life; listen to; care for.

### **Parenting:**

Deuteronomy 6:5-7: “And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength. 6 And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. 7 Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up.”

Proverbs 13:24b: “Those who love their children care enough to discipline them.”

Proverbs 22:6: “Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.”

Ephesians 6:4: “Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.”

### **Section C:**

Ephesians 6:1-3: “Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. 2 “Honor your father and mother.” This is the first commandment with a promise: 3 If you honor your father and mother, “things will go well for you, and you will have a long life on the earth.”

Because we live in a sinful world, some adults harm children. Please talk to a trusted adult if you have any questions about this.

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