



## Honor Your Father?

### Father's Day

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Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. <sup>2</sup> "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise: <sup>3</sup> If you honor your father and mother, "things will go well for you, and you will have a long life on the earth."

**Ephesians 6:1-3 (NLT)**

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 (NLT)**

#### If I honor my father, I will...

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| 1. <u>Live a long life.</u>      | <b>Ephesians 6:1-3</b>              |
| 2. <u>Become a new person.</u>   | <b>Galatians 6:5</b>                |
| 3. <u>Value what God values.</u> | <b>Matthew 15:1-9; Luke 2:51-52</b> |
| 4. <u>Mature in my faith.</u>    | <b>Hebrews 12</b>                   |

#### I honor my father when I...

1. **Remember** what he's done for me.

Since we respected our earthly fathers who disciplined us, shouldn't we submit even more to the discipline of the Father of our spirits, and live forever? For our earthly fathers disciplined us for a few years, doing the best they knew how.

**Hebrews 12:9-10a (NLT)**

» Thank him

And give **thanks** for everything to God the **Father** in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Ephesians 5:20 (NLT)**

» Forgive him

"If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.

**Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT)**

2. **Respect** him.

The eye that mocks a father and despises a mother's instructions will be plucked out by ravens of the valley and eaten by vultures.  
**Proverbs 30:17 (NLT)**

» Obey Him

They are backstabbers, haters of God, insolent, proud, and boastful. They invent new ways of sinning, and they disobey their parents.

**Romans 1:30 (NLT)**

You should know this, Timothy, that in the last days there will be very difficult times. <sup>2</sup> For people will love only themselves and their money. They will be boastful and proud, scoffing at God, disobedient to their parents, and ungrateful. They will consider nothing sacred.

**2 Timothy 3:1-2 (NLT)**

» Include him in my life.

3. **Reward** him.

Jesus replied, "And why do you, by your traditions, violate the direct commandments of God? <sup>4</sup> For instance, God says, 'Honor your father and mother,' and 'Anyone who speaks disrespectfully of father or mother must be put to death.' <sup>5</sup> But you say it is all right for people to say to their parents, 'Sorry, I can't help you. For I have vowed to give to God what I would have given to you.' <sup>6</sup> In this way, you say they don't need to honor their parents. And so you cancel the word of God for the sake of your own tradition.

**Matthew 15:3-7 (NLT)**

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