

The Family Plan
Stone Tablets in a Wireless World—Part 6
Exodus 20:12
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“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.” --Exodus 20:12:

Two important observations:

1. This commandment comes from God, there must be a _____ to obey it no matter how difficult or painful it may be.
2. Since God has our best interests at heart, _____ must be in our own best interest.

There are a couple of differences in this command as opposed to the first three commands:

1. It is one of only two of the ten commands that are stated in the _____ rather than the _____.
2. It shifts the focus of the commandments from how we respect _____ to how we respect _____.

PRINCIPLE

There are two elements to this command:

The first element is: Children, _____ your parents.

The second element is: Parents, be _____.

PROBLEM

One of the main roadblocks in implementing this command is that the societal norm is _____ for authority.

PRACTICE

How do we honor our father and mother?

1. _____ their role.
2. Value their _____.

3. Offer _____.
4. Appreciate their _____.
5. Forgive their _____.
6. Meet their _____.

How do we do become honorable, parents?

1. Be an _____.
2. Teach them what is _____.
3. Be a good _____.
4. Spend _____ with them.
5. Set _____.
6. Be a _____ role model.

PROMISE

There are two areas that are blessed when parents are honorable and children honor their parents:

The first area is the _____.

The second area of blessing is _____ as a whole.