

Honor & Obey: It's not just for kids.

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Matthew 21:28-32 ²⁸ "But what do you think about this? A man with two sons told the older boy, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹ The son answered, 'No, I won't go,' but later he changed his mind and went anyway. ³⁰ Then the father told the other son, 'You go,' and he said, 'Yes, sir, I will.' But he didn't go. ³¹ "Which of the two obeyed his father?" They replied, "The first." Then Jesus explained his meaning: "I tell you the truth, corrupt tax collectors and prostitutes will get into the Kingdom of God before you do. ³² For John the Baptist came and showed you the right way to live, but you didn't believe him, while tax collectors and prostitutes did. And even when you saw this happening, you refused to believe him and repent of your sins.

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— ³ "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

Why Should Children Obey Their Parents?

1. God designed order to begin in the home.

Matthew 19:5 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh" (Gen. 2:24)

2. Freedom and peace with your parents is directly tied to your obedience.

Matt. 25:21 "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

Ephesians. 6:3 "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

3. They know what is best for you.

Proverbs 13:1 A wise son heeds his father's instruction

4. Because you love them and trust God's authority.

Romans 13:1-2 Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

Why Should You Obey God?

1. God designed you to live under His authority.

Ephesians 6:4 Fathers, do not exasperate your children

2. Your ability to enjoy your relationship with God is directly tied to your obedience.

Deuteronomy 28:1-2 If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. 2 All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God.

Psalms 32:3 When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long

3. God knows what is best for you.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding

Genesis 2:17 "but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

4. Because you love Him!

John 14:23 Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching".

PRACTICAL & POWERFUL:

For many children, honoring and obeying your parents will be among life's greatest challenges. It is also the most practical way that they can show that they take God seriously.

For many adults, honoring and obeying your Heavenly Father will be among life's greatest challenges. It is also the most practical way that they can show that they take God seriously.

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