

# Salt and Light for the King

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## 5th Commandment

*Exod 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you."*

- Hebrew word: *kavōd* = to weigh heavily upon; be heavy, dull; be weight, be honored [113x]
- Greek word: (1) *timaō* = to honor, value, revere [21x] (2) *timē* = honor; value; price [41x]

### Group question:

*What questions do you have about the 5th commandment? How have you struggled to obey the 5th commandment?*

*What examples have you seen of people keeping the 5th commandment? Breaking the 5th commandment?*

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### **What is honor?**

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#### 1. Reverence:

- John Frame, 576 "a heart attitude, a deference that leads to service"
- \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (Lev 19:3, 32; 1 Tim 5:1)
- Worship or \_\_\_\_\_ (Is 43:4; Prov 3:9)
- Ordered affections: Love God more than family (Mt 10:34-39; Mk 10:28-31; Lk 14:26; Lk 9:59-60)
- \_\_\_\_\_ / Respect (1 Ki 2:19)

#### 2. Submission & \_\_\_\_\_

*Col 3:20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.*

*Eph 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), 3 "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."*

- Before obedience, submission
  - Defer to authority as the one who bears responsibility and who is wiser
  - Be a student: Learn from parents as teachers (Deut 6:6-7; Prov 1:8, 10; 2:1; 3:1)
  - Listen with respect (Prov 23:22)
- Children either obey or disobey (Eph 6:1; Col 3:20)
  
- Obedience is not absolute or blind (Jesus in Lk 2; 1 Tim 5:1). Human authorities have limited authority.

Group question: How does obedience change over time? Children > Teens > Adulthood

**3. Return a \_\_\_\_\_**

- Financial support (1 Tim 5:3-8; 5:17; Rom 13:7)
  
- Respect for parental \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov 28:24)
  
- Children aim to \_\_\_\_\_ their parents (Prov 10:1; 15:20; 23:25; 29:3)
  
- Gratitude and thanksgiving (Rom 1:21-23; Prov 30:11)

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**What are some sins of dishonor?**

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- \_\_\_\_\_ (Lam 1:8)
- Neglect of \_\_\_\_\_ required (Mal 1:6; Is 43:22-23)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom 1:30; 2 Tim 3:2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Deut 21:18-21)
- Hold in \_\_\_\_\_; revile; speak evil of, insult (Mk 7:10; Deut 27:16)
- \_\_\_\_\_, mocking, shame, dishonor (Exod 21:17; Lev 20:9; Prov 20:20; Prov 30:11, 17)
- \_\_\_\_\_ one's parents (1 Tim 1:8-9; Prov 19:26)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov 28:24)
- To steal or remove honor (Is 23:8-9; 2 Sam 10:3-5)
- To falsely \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Sam 6:20)

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### **Who should you honor?**

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- “father & mother” = biological (or adopted) parents...
  - Yet “father & mother” also refer to all \_\_\_\_\_ authorities (especially church and civil)
1. Scripture uses “parents” as \_\_\_\_\_ for non-familial relationships (Gen 45:8; Jdg 5:7; Isa 49:23; 2 Kings 5:13; 2 Kings 2:12; 6:21; Jdg 17:10; Ps 34:11; Prov 1:8, 10, 15; 1 Cor 4:15; Gal 4:18-19; 1 Tim 1:2; Titus 1:4; Lev 19:32; 1 Tim 5:1-2)
    - God the \_\_\_\_\_ (Mal 1:6; Mt 6:9; Eph 3:14-15)
    - Honor of parents is \_\_\_\_\_ after honor for God the Father and God the Son (1 Tim 1:17; 1 Tim 6:15; Heb 2:9; Rev 4:9-11)
      - God the Son modeled how to honor God the Father (*Jn 5:22-23; 8:49*)
  2. All relational spheres are \_\_\_\_\_ from the family
  3. Submission to non-familial authorities \_\_\_\_\_ children’s submission to parents
    - Submission by husband-wife (Eph 5:22-24, 33; 6:1-5; Col 3:23-24)
    - ...bondservant-masters (Eph 6:5; Col 3:23-24; 1 Pt 2:18)
    - ...citizen-emperor (1 Pt 2:17; Prov 24:21)

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### **Reciprocal Honor**

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- Authorities should honor those they are \_\_\_\_\_ for (Mt 20:25-28; Jn 12:12-16)
- Honor for “\_\_\_\_\_” (1 Pt 2:17; Rom 12:10; 13:7; Eph 5:21)

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**What is the promised blessing for covenant obedience?**

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- The \_\_\_\_\_