

Q U E S T I O N S A B O U T

Parents

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with a promise), so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth.

Ephesians 6:1-3

1. Take a moment to rewrite this verse in your own words. Try to explain it in a way that even your friends at school would understand.
2. Rate yourself: On a daily basis, how good are you at doing what this verse says. Give yourself an honest grade. **A B C D F**
3. Honestly answer each question below. As you do, think about how each question connects with the teaching in this passage.

Do you accept when your parents say “no” without arguing or complaining?

Yes No Sort Of

Does your speech (including tone) demonstrate respect for your parents?

Yes No Sort Of

Do you help keep the house clean without complaining?

Yes No Sort Of

Can your parents count on you to do what you say you will do? Are you reliable?

Yes No Sort Of

Are all areas of your life open to your parents?

Yes No Sort Of

Are you honest with your parents? Are you careful to avoid tricking or deceiving them?

Yes No Sort Of

When facing an important decision, are you more likely to talk to parents than friends?

Yes No Sort Of

Do you truly take to heart the advice your parents give you?

Yes No Sort Of

Do you frequently thank God for your parents when you pray?

Yes No Sort Of

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Instructions:

Take each question one by one and have the students write down their answer, then discuss the question with the entire group.

Observations:

- Question #1 Try to make this passage as easy to understand as possible. Ask your students if they believe what it says – that their lives will be better if they obey and honor their parents.
- Question #2 The goal here is for honesty. Are they really doing what this verse says on a daily basis? If not, do they truly believe what it says.
- Question #3 Take these questions one by one. Have the students answer, then discuss each one together. Be sure to tie each question back to the passage. Show how honor and respect for parents should impact our actions in each case. Again, the goal is to help the students evaluate whether or not they are truly doing what Paul tells them to do.