

October 2, 2022

Commandment 5

Large Group

Ice breaker 5-10 min

Worship 10-15 min

Volunteer plug 5 min

Lesson (15 min)

Review

- What commandments have we done so far?
 - Have no other God's before me
 - Do not have idols
 - Do not use the Lord's name in vain
 - Sabbath
- Why do we need the 10 commandments?
- Commandments are broken into two sections, love God and love others
 - Love Others [Matthew 22:39](#)

Commandment 5

- [Deuteronomy 5:16](#)
- What does it mean to honor your father and mother?
 - Student Answers
 - [Google: We have high regard for them]
 - [Calvin: honor requires three things: reverence, obedience, and gratitude.]
- What is the promise that goes with honoring our father and mother?
- Old Testament context of the importance of honoring fathers and mothers
 - [Deuteronomy 21:18-21](#) death for disobedience
 - [Exodus 21:17](#)
- New testament example
 - [Mark 7:10-13](#)
- Honoring our parents teaches us how to interact with all authorities, though we may not honor authorities in the same way.
 - [1 Peter 2:13-17](#)
- Honoring our parents teaches us how to honor God.
 - Sigmund Freud shows a commonality between the way children think of their father and the way the view God.

Small Group Questions

Review: What does it mean to honor your father and mother?

[Calvin: honor requires three things: reverence, obedience, and gratitude]

[The Oxford English Dictionary says honor means “to regard with great respect or high esteem.” It also describes honor as “something regarded as a rare opportunity and bringing pride and pleasure; a privilege.”]

What are real life ways can you better honor your father and mother?

No parent is perfect, and all parents make mistakes. What do you think it looks like to honor your parents when they make mistakes?

[An example of this that comes to mind is when a parent may accuse the wrong child of wrongdoing, or accuse a child of lying while they were actually telling the truth. Treating parents respectfully despite a mistake is important. Beyond this, a discussion could occur on parents that make many mistakes and what respectful and honorable looks like in that situation.]

[Forgiveness for times our parents are wrong is critical. [Matthew 18:21-22](#) (Forgive 7x70). Ephesians 4:32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.]

We talked about how honoring our parents provides an example about honoring those in leadership positions in the future. This may include government, bosses, coaches, teachers, or others. How are we to honor those in leadership when they are not doing a good job?

[Romans 13:1 ESV Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.]

If Man’s authority contradicts the Bible Acts 5:29 But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men.

Titus 3:1 ESV Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work,

1 Timothy 2:1-2 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

**It is easy to look at the references above and assume that these were written in a time where leaders were better than they are now. It is important to remember that Paul wrote many of his writings during the time of Nero. He was a very anti-Christian ruler who was very bad to Christians, worse than any

leader I have seen in the US. Additionally, Paul wrote many letters while imprisoned for sharing his faith. It is hard to believe he could have had a perspective that was different.]

Prophecy: Read [2 Timothy 3:1-5](#)

In 2 Timothy 3 we see a prophecy about the last days. What does this passage say about honoring your father and mother as it relates to this prophecy?