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“Honor Your Parents”

“So give your father and mother joy! May she who gave you birth be happy.” (Proverbs 23:25 NLT)

Honor Transference

Exodus 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.”

John 5:23 – “...Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.”

Personal & Parental Responsibility

Daniel 9:16 – “O Lord, according to all your righteous acts, let your anger and your wrath turn away from your city Jerusalem, your holy hill, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people have become a byword among all who are around us.”

Jeremiah 31:29-30 – (29) “In those days they shall no longer say: ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.’ (30) But everyone shall die for his own iniquity. Each man who eats sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge.”

Correcting Chronological Snobbery

1 Kings 19:4 – “But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, ‘It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.’”

Parental Priority

Mark 7:5-13 – (5) “And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ (6) And he said to them, ‘Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; (7) in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ (8) You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.’ (9) And he said to them, ‘You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! (10) For Moses said, ‘Honor

your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' (11) But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, 'Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God)— (12) then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, (13) thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

1 Timothy 5:4 – “But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these should learn first of all to put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grandparents, for this is pleasing to God.” (NIV)

Children, Do Yourselves a Favor

Ephesians 6:1-3 – (1) “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.’”

Proverbs 23:22 – “Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old.”

Parents, Do Your Children a Favor

Proverbs 19:18 – “Discipline your son, for there is hope; do not set your heart on putting him to death.”

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)

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