

SERMON NOTES

Date: November 8, 2020

Series: God's Riches

Title: Parenting in Christ (Part 1)

Text: Ephesians 6:1-4

Big Idea: God desires to build Spirit-filled families where children obey and honor their parents, and fathers nurture their children.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

Compare and contrast the way the Bible instructs children to relate to their parents from the way the world does.

How does the Bible describe children who disobey their parents (Proverbs 10:1; 15:20; 19:13a; 30:17; 2 Timothy 3:1-5)?

Think through reasons children should obey and honor their parents. How can these reasons provide children of all ages the right motivation?

What wrong motivations can a child have for obeying and honoring his or her parents?

APPLY THE TRUTH

How can you show obedience and honor to your parents even when you disagree with them?

How can the biblical appeal process be beneficial in your life or home?

Thank God for the ways he has used your parents to shape you into the person you are today?

Though sin has profound effects on parent/child relationships, how does Christ's perfect obedience to the Father in your place encourage you to live obediently to God in your role as a child or parent?

COMMIT THIS WEEK

If you are able, tell your parents how thankful you are that God has put them in your life. Make a call, write a card, give a hug, send a text, or offer a prayer for them. Honor them with gratitude and a godly life.