

## WHAT'S GOD SAYING TO YOU?

### I. TO PARENTS

A. Be h\_\_\_\_\_ - towards your children and spouse

Col 3<sup>18</sup> Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. <sup>19</sup> Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. <sup>20</sup> Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

B. Know when to be the h\_\_\_\_\_

2 Cor 13<sup>10</sup> This is why I write these things when I am absent, that when I come I may not have to be harsh in my use of authority—the authority the Lord gave me for building you up, not for tearing you down.

C. Take a lesson from God

Ex 20<sup>2</sup> "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>3</sup> "You shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup> "You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup> "You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

1. Not so codependent that He cannot d\_\_\_\_\_
2. Not so in authority that He cannot l\_\_\_\_\_ and flex

### II. TO CHILDREN

A. Honor at every s\_\_\_\_\_ and age

B. How does your parent want to be honored?

- 5 Love Languages- time, talk, touch, gifts, service

- ✓ Hear God's voice- What's God saying to you?
- ✓ Obey- Write or say it back in a prayer & obey-
- ✓ Share- Who do you need to share with, train, serve?

## HONOR YOUR FATHER & MOTHER – Ex 20:12, 5/9/21

GETTING OUR FEET WET- what's the purpose of parenting?

- Our Culture
- Our God

Eph 6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. <sup>2</sup> "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— <sup>3</sup> "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." <sup>4</sup> Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Dt 6<sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>8</sup> Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>9</sup> Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

### DIGGING INTO THE 5<sup>TH</sup> COMMANDMENT

- INSIGHT- WHAT DOES IT SAY?
- QUESTION- WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
- APPLY - WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO US?

### I. Command- YOU SHALL HONOR

A. You- just kids still at home?

1. Lk 2<sup>51</sup> Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.
2. Jn 2<sup>3</sup> When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." <sup>4</sup> "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."<sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."
3. Jn 19<sup>25</sup> Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup> When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your

son,” <sup>27</sup> and to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

4. I Tim 5 <sup>4</sup> 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 <sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

B. Honor- what does it mean? - to be h\_\_\_\_\_

1. In a bad sense- burdensome, grievous- Sodom, slavery, Pharaoh’s heart
2. In a good sense- value, prize, revere, glorify, fear, awe
  - a. Towards God
 

Ps 22 <sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise him!  
 All you descendants of Jacob, honor him!  
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!
  - b. Towards parents
 

Prov 6 <sup>20</sup> My son, keep your father’s command  
 and do not forsake your mother’s teaching.  
<sup>21</sup> Bind them always on your heart;  
 fasten them around your neck.  
 Pro 23 <sup>22</sup> Listen to your father, who gave you life,  
 and do not despise your mother when she is old.

C. How important is honoring parents to God?

<u>THE 10 COMMANDMENTS</u>	
I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.	
1. No other gods	6. No murder
2. No idols	7. No adultery
3. No taking God’s name in vain	8. No stealing
4. Honor the Sabbath	9. No lying
5. Honor your father and mother	10. No coveting

## II. Object- YOUR FATHER & MOTHER

A. Why are both parents mentioned?

1. Prov 31 <sup>28</sup> Her children arise and call her blessed;  
 her husband also, and he praises her:  
<sup>29</sup> “Many women do noble things,  
 but you surpass them all.”
2. 2 Tim 1 <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

B. But what if they have been dishonorable?

1. Ham & Noah- Gen 9:21 ff
2. Jonathan & Saul- I Sam 14:27ff, 20:28ff

C. Just your parents?

1. Lev 19 <sup>32</sup> “Stand up in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the LORD.
2. 1 Tim 5:1 Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but exhort him as if he were your father. Treat younger men as brothers, <sup>2</sup> older women as mothers, and younger women as sisters, with absolute purity.
3. Honor those \_\_\_\_\_ than you

## III. Reason

A. SO THAT IT MAY GO WELL WITH YOU

Jn 10 <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

B. AND THAT YOU MAY ENJOY LONG LIFE ON THE EARTH

Pro 4:1 Listen, my son, accept what I say,  
 and the years of your life will be many.