

HONORING OUR FATHERS

Father's Day 2018

Exodus 20:12 (NIV) “Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

Luke 18:20 (NIV) You know the commandments: ‘You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, **honor your father and mother.**’”

Ephesians 6:1-3 (NIV) Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ²“**Honor** your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— ³“so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

Several Ways We Can ALL Seek To Honor Our Fathers As Adults:

1. **FORGIVE** them

Luke 23:33-34 (NIV) When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, “**Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.**”...

2. **SPEAK WELL** of them

3. Seek their **INPUT AND WISDOM**

Proverbs 20:29 (NIV) The glory of young men is their strength, gray hair the splendor of the old.

Job 12:12 (NIV) Is not wisdom found among the aged? Does not long life bring understanding?

Proverbs 4:1 (NIV) Listen, my sons, to a father's instruction; pay attention and gain understanding.

4. **STAY INVOLVED** in their lives!

Psalms 71:9 (NIV) Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

1 Timothy 5:8 (NIV) Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

5. Treat them with **RESPECT** and **CONSIDERATION**