



# THE WORD *Alive*

The Preaching Ministry of Ashley River Baptist Church

## RELATIONSHIPS 101: My Relationship with My Parents: Building a Right Relationship

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

Deuteronomy 5:16; Proverbs 10:1; Proverbs 23:22; Colossians 3:20; 1 Timothy 5:4

### What Does the Bible Tell Us about Parents and Children?

1. Children are very important to God and His Kingdom. Matthew 19:14
2. Children bring honor and tremendous joy to a home. Psalm 127:4; Psalm 128:3
3. Disobedient or defiant children of any age will bring great sorrow to their parents. Proverbs 10:1

### Building A Right Relationship with Your Parents

**A. Acknowledge the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that God has given them.** (Honor them!)

- They gave you life, be thankful to them. Proverbs 23:22
  - They have been given authority by God; honor that position. Deuteronomy 5:16
  - When you honor your parents, you please God. Deuteronomy 27:16
- REMEMBER: This honoring never ends!

**B. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to your parents.** Colossians 3:20; Ephesians 6:1

- Remember
- When you obey your parents, you please God!
- (Obeying them doesn't mean that they are always right; just that they have the right to be obeyed!)
- The only time you could knowingly disobey is if your parents would demand that you do something that goes against God's law. (And even then, be respectful.)

**C. Commit yourself to \_\_\_\_\_ with your parents and to \_\_\_\_\_ from them.** Proverbs 1:8

### Think About This . . .

Your most important model will be a parent. Learn the most you can from them remembering that they are not perfect.

### Your Assignment

**P.** \_\_\_\_\_ for yourself that the Lord will help you be obedient and pray everyday for your parents and for wisdom for them.

**S.** Show your parents that you \_\_\_\_\_ them. Thank them for their guidance.