

Children,

The fifth of the 10 Commandments says:

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you." (Exodus 20:12)

What does God promise to those who honor and obey their parents? Long life!

God promises to bless us when we honor those He has placed over us. He will make our days long and satisfying and useful. He will give us joy in our tasks, and guide us in the way we should live. Do you want to enjoy God's blessings in your life? And more importantly, do you want to please God and lead others to Him?

Then obey your parents in all things!

The questions in this book will help you think about how well you are obeying God and your parents. The verses that follow each question will help you understand God's teaching about honoring and obeying.

Pray that God will help you. He will!

Parents,

If we want to love and bless our children, we will be faithful to train them in obedience. God promises blessing to those who obey Him and His representatives, and He promises cursing to those who resist His authority.

One way we train our children to honor and glorify God is by training them to honor us as God's representatives in their lives. A faithful, godly family is a powerful picture of God's grace and love to the world, and the vehicle God uses to further His kingdom into future generations.

This little book is designed to help you disciple your young children. Use it to teach them the many real-life aspects of obedience and disobedience. Turn to an appropriate question and Scripture passage when your child needs instruction and discipline. Read and pray together, and administer appropriate discipline. Copy the pictures and let your children color them. Put copies of pages on the wall to help you all work on improving in a problem area.

God's Word is alive and powerful. He will use it to change the hearts of children and of parents!

*Can my parents trust me to faithfully
complete a task they give me?*

*"Like a bad tooth and an unsteady foot
is confidence in a faithless man
in time of trouble."*

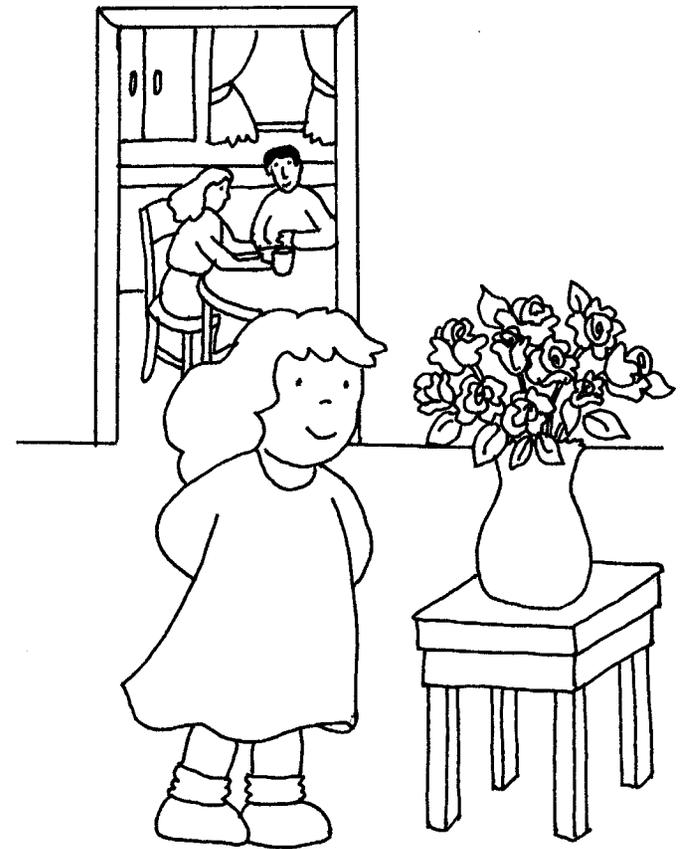
Proverbs 25:19, NASB



*Do I do my very best at the tasks my
parents give me to do?*

*"Whatever you do, work heartily,
as for the Lord and not for men."*

Colossians 3:23



*Do I obey even when my parents
cannot see me?*

*"The eyes of the LORD are in every place,
keeping watch on the evil and the good."*

Proverbs 15:3, NKJV

Do I willingly give up my own desires in order to help and encourage my parents in their daily tasks?



"Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up."

Romans 15:2

*Do I speak words of gratitude, praise, and admiration to my parents?
Do I openly praise them to others?*

"Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body."

Proverbs 16:24

