

Honor Your Parents Exodus 20:12 (NASB)

Honor: The basic sense is “to treat someone with respect because they carry a heavyweight of authority.”

Note: This commandment to “honor” is in force regardless of how your parents perform.

Note: Your parents’ failure to be all they should have been does not excuse you from obeying the Fifth Commandment.

Question: Why are all these serious warnings in the Bible about honoring your parents?

Answer: Because your parents stand in the place of God in your life.

Four Reasons to Honor Your Parents:

- 1) It’s the right thing to do. (Eph 6:1)
- 2) It pleases God. (Col 3:20)
- 3) It leads to long life. (Ex 20:12)
- 4) It ensures good success. (Deut 5:16)

Question: How do we honor our parents?

Answer: In the grow-up years, you honor your parents through obedience. (Eph 6:1)

In the mature years, you honor your parents by making provision for their material needs and taking care of them.