

Ephesians 6:1-4

New Life 101 – Family Edition

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Ephesus

- \* Roman World
  - \* Patria Potestas
  - \* Church Setting
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Verse 1-2 - *Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother*"

- 1) It is a \_\_\_\_\_ - two verbs - **imperative mood**
  - 2) It is \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3) It comes with a \_\_\_\_\_ - verse 3 - *That it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.*
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Verse 4 - *Fathers do not provoke your children to anger but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.*

- 1) A Negation
  - 2) A Positive
    - a. Discipline
    - b. Instruction
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- Love God
  - Speak God
  - Live God
  - Leave God behind
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Apply this:

- 1) God's Commands for the family are still in effect**
  - 2) God's Commands for the family still come with a promise**
  - 3) God's Commands for the family are still an expectation**
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#### **Cotton Mather, early 1700s**

1. Consider the \_\_\_\_\_ of your children
2. Instruct them in the great matters of \_\_\_\_\_
3. Rebuke and restrain them from all things \_\_\_\_\_ to the gospel
4. Lay \_\_\_\_\_ against your children.
5. Pray for your children daily: either for their \_\_\_\_\_ or for their \_\_\_\_\_.