

Living by Design: 10 Commandments

Week 5 // Command 5

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Ice Breaker: What's a funny or embarrassing memory you have from growing up?

Key Scripture: Exodus 20:12

"Honor your father and your mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you."

Big Idea:

God designed families as the foundation for our spiritual and relational health. Honoring our parents teaches humility, love, and respect—lessons that shape how we relate to God and others. The Fifth Commandment is not a restriction but a pathway to blessing and wholeness.

Key Points:

- God designed parents as our first teachers and guides.
- To honor someone is to treat them as valuable and important.
- Honoring parents creates peace, stability, and blessing that ripple through generations.
- Even when a parent is imperfect or dishonorable, we can still show honor through forgiveness, prayer, and healthy boundaries.

Digging Deeper Questions:

- What is God teaching me about pride, submission, or teachability through this command?
- What does honor look like in my current season—words of gratitude, acts of care, setting aside resentment?
- What is one specific action I can take this week to honor my parents or to live honorably as a parent/leader?

Prayer

- Pray for wisdom and guidance in what honoring your parents looks like in your life.
- Pray for the strengthening of families in our community, country, and world.