

A study of The Law



*“Honor Your
Father And Your
Mother,”*

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That God Gave Through Moses



- ◆ TO WHOM WAS IT GIVEN?
- ◆ WHAT WAS ITS PURPOSE?
- ◆ WHAT WAS TO BE ITS DURATION?
- ◆ ITS RELEVANCE TO US?

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"A covenant is a binding contract between two parties, both of whom have obligations specified in the covenant." (Fee and Stuart. 150)



(Exodus 19:5-6; 24:3-8; Deut. 5:1-3)

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- ◆ God's essential nature is unchanging and unchangeable (Malachi 3:6; James 1:17),
- ◆ God's law is adapted to man's needs, therefore specific laws have changed in different dispensations (Gen. 6-9; 17:10; Exo 20; Mat. 17:1-5; Heb. 1:1,2; 7:12).
- ◆ There are principles behind the law God gave through Moses which will help us understand God and how to please Him. (Rom. 15:4; Gal. 3:24; 2 Tim 3:15)

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Two Major Divisions

Love God

1. You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image.
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Love Man

5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness.
10. You shall not covet.

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"Honor your father and your mother,"

Exodus 20:12 (NKJV)

¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.

Deuteronomy 5:16

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Honor <H3513> כָּבַד כָּבֵד, kâbad, kâbêd

- ◆ **BDB Definition:** - verb - 1) to be heavy, be weighty, be grievous, be hard, be rich, be honourable, be glorious, be burdensome, be honoured
- ◆ **The Complete Word Study Dictionary** - *kābēd*: A verb meaning to weigh heavily, to be heavy, to be honored, to be made heavy, to get honor, to make dull, to let weigh down, to harden, to multiply.

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- ◆ **Merriam Webster:** - **1 a** : to regard or treat with honor or respect **b** : to confer honor on
- ◆ **Brainy Quote Online** - To regard or treat with esteem, or respect; to revere; to treat with deference and submission; To dignify; to raise to distinction or notice; ... to elevate in rank or station; to ennoble; to exalt; to glorify;

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- A painting of Moses, an elderly man with a long white beard and a red turban, holding two large, rectangular stone tablets. The tablets are covered in Hebrew script. He is looking upwards and to the right with a solemn expression. The background is a warm, golden-brown color with a textured, stone-like appearance.
- ◆ **Ex 21:15** — And he who strikes his father or his mother shall surely be put to death.
 - ◆ **Ex 21:17** — And he who curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death.
 - ◆ **Pr 30:17** — The eye that mocks his father, And scorns obedience to his mother, The ravens of the valley will pick it out, And the young eagles will eat it

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Deuteronomy 21:18-21 (NKJV)

¹⁸ "If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and *who*, when they have chastened him, will not heed them, ¹⁹ then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his city, to the gate of his city. ²⁰ And they shall say to the elders of his city, 'This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard.' ²¹ Then all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones; so you shall put away the evil from among you, and all Israel shall hear and fear.

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- ◆ **Given to the children of Israel to insure their long life in the land of promise -**
 - ◆ **To be taught by parents,** (*lack of respect from children is often due to the lack of instruction and discipline from the parents*) – Deuteronomy 4:9,10; 6:7-25; 11:19; Psalm 78:4-6
 - ◆ **This command is also a part of the New Covenant -**

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Ephesians 6:1-3 (NKJV)

¹ Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² *"Honor your father and mother,"* which is the first commandment with promise:
³ *"that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."*

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Colossians 3:18-22 (NKJV)

¹⁸ Wives, submit to your own husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them. ²⁰ Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord. ²¹ Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. ²² Bondservants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God.

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- ◆ **The strength of any people, nation, state or community begins or is ends in the home!**
- ◆ **Every generation speaks of “their” rebellious children . . . But what about this generation?**

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- ◆ **Seen in many children's attitude toward parental authority**
- ◆ **Seen in the schools**
- ◆ **Seen in the workforce**
- ◆ **Seen in politics and leadership**
- ◆ **Seen in the judicial system**
- ◆ **Seen in society in general**
- ◆ **Seen in religion**

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- ◆ **Lack of discipline, restraint, and authority exercised by parents – (*Time & effort*)**
- ◆ **Parents who demand - “Do what I say, not what I do”**
- ◆ **Social perception - Political correctness – Dr. Phil types -**
- ◆ **TV, movies, music, internet – all filled with content encouraging rebellion.**

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Obstacles To Filial Piety:

- ◆ **Parents overreaction to their upbringing** – (*communication, discipline, things . . .*)
- ◆ **Worldly media** –
- ◆ **Busy parents** –
- ◆ **The pursuit of academic excellence rather than moral and spiritual excellence** –

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It Does Not Mean:

- ◆ **Honor only if the person is personally perceived as deserving**
- ◆ **Honor only if the person always reciprocates**
- ◆ **Honor only if it is pleasing to you to do so**
- ◆ **Honor only if you get compliments for doing so**
- ◆ **Honor only if it "feels right"**
- ◆ **Honor only if other people also do so."**

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We Honor Our Parents:

- ◆ By respecting their role
- ◆ By addressing them with respect.
- ◆ By obeying them the first time.
- ◆ By telling the truth.
- ◆ By trying to please them.
- ◆ By forgiving their failures.
- ◆ By affirming their effort.
- ◆ By listening to their advice.
- ◆ By the way you live your life.
- ◆ By taking care of them when they are older and disabled. - Leviticus 19:32; Matt. 15:1-9

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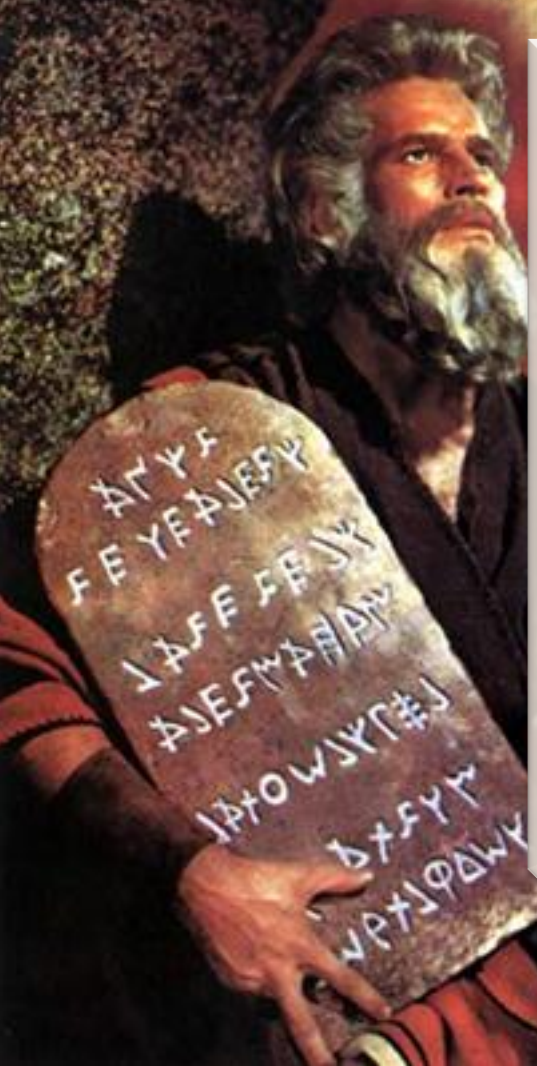
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We Honor Our Parents:

- By Obeying God!! –**
"We ought to obey God rather than men." (Acts 5:29)
"not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God" (Col. 3:22)

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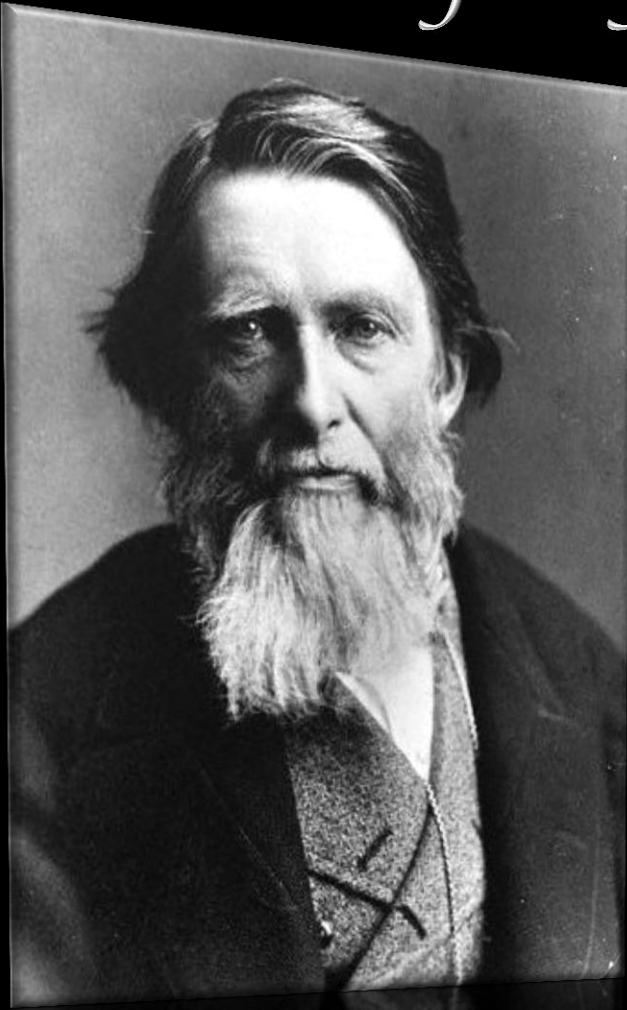
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- ◆ **The family was God's first institution**
- **It is the building block of society.**
- ◆ **If the family block is weak,**
everything else becomes weak –
(Government, churches, schools, businesses, clubs, organizations, cities, towns...)
- ◆ **Most acknowledge that the**
breakdown of the American family is
the number 1 problem we face -
(Ask a policeman, a school teacher, a business man, . . .)

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“The history of the world is not the record of our wars, but rather the history of our households.”

John Ruskin

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Hebrews 5:8-9 (NKJV)

⁸ though He was a Son,
yet He learned obedience
by the things which He
suffered. ⁹ And having
been perfected, He
became the author of
eternal salvation to all
who obey Him,

who obey Him
eternal salvation to all

Will you honor God
today by obeying His
Son Jesus Christ?

Matthew 28:18-21

Acts 2:38

Colossians 3:16

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