

MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY



TEN COMMANDMENTS #5

1. Write down as many of the Ten Commandments as you can, in any order.
2. Read Exodus 20:1-17. Today's study is on Commandment # 5. Exodus 20:12 (NIV) "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you."
3. The first four commandments dealt with our relationship with God. The last six commandments deal with human relationships. The command to honor parents is the first with an attached promise. But what does it mean to honor parents? (Get opinions and input.)
4. Here are a few Old Testament Scriptures related to honoring parents. Ask each participant to choose a verse and share it with the group. Leviticus 19:3; Deuteronomy 27:16; Proverbs 1:8; 6:20; 15:20; 20:20; 23:22; 30:17; and Micah 7:6.
5. Discuss ways we can show honor, respect and obedience to God and parents. What does our relationship with our parents reveal about our relationship with God?
6. What did honoring parents look like when you were a child? How did that carry over to your parenting style?
7. Now let's turn our attention to the New Testament. Have participants share Matthew 15:3-6; Mark 7:10-11; Ephesians 6:1-3; Colossians 3:20; 1 Timothy 5:1-2; and 2 Timothy 3:1-5.
8. What do you glean from these Scriptures? What does honoring parents look like now that you are an adult and your parents are aging? What responsibilities do you have for them now emotionally, spiritually, and financially? How can you teach your grandchildren about honoring their parents (your children)?
9. Share thoughts about what you have learned from your relationship with God/Jesus that have helped you be a better child, parent, or grandparent.
10. Pray for wisdom to be gracious, respectful, humble and honorable in all of your filial and familial roles. Show God and Jesus the respect and honor they deserve by loving and serving them and by loving and serving bikers and other people.