

# x too close to home

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the Lord your God gives you."  
Exodus 20:12 <sup>NASB</sup>

"Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, that your days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with you on the land which the Lord your God gives you." Deuteronomy 5:16 <sup>NASB</sup>

## Jesus' take

"Then (Jesus) said, 'You reject God's laws in order to hold on to your own traditions. For instance, Moses gave you this law from God: 'Honor your father and mother,' and 'Anyone who speaks evil of father or mother must be put to death.' But you say it is all right for people to say to their parents, 'Sorry, I can't help you. For I have vowed to give to God what I could have given to you.' You let them disregard their needy parents. As such, you break the law of God in order to protect your own tradition. And this is only one example. There are many, many others.'" Mark 7:9-13 <sup>NLT</sup>

## Paul's take

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord [as His representatives], for this is just and right. Honor (esteem and value as precious) your father and your mother – this is the first commandment with a promise – that all may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth. Fathers, do not irritate and provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to resentment], but rear them [tenderly] in the training and discipline and the counsel and admonition of the Lord." Ephesians 6:1-4 <sup>AMP</sup>

## steps to honoring and being honorable

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"Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it's in your power to help them." Proverbs 3:27