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The command to children (v. 1-3)

Obey your parents (v. 1)

Honor your parents (v. 2a)

- Value their authority (Proverbs 7:1-3)
- Care for them when they can no longer care for themselves (Matthew 15:1-9, 1 Timothy 5:3-4)

Reward for obedience and honor

- Peacefulness – “may be well with you”
- Longevity – “live long on earth”

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The challenge to parents (v. 4)

Wrong way to parent – “provoke your child to anger”

Right way to parent

- Positive: Nourish them

Exodus 12:23-27, Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Joshua 4:5-7

- Negative: Admonish them

Hebrews 12:5-11, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

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The command to slaves (v. 5-8)

Godly behavior – “Be obedient”

Godly respect – “Fear and trembling”

Godly attitude – “Sincerity”

Godly loyalty – “Eye service...man-pleasers”

Godly humility – “Render service”

Godly reward – “Receive back from the Lord”

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The challenge to the masters (v. 9)

Wrong leadership – “Give up threatening”

Right leadership

- Humility – “Do the same thing”
- Submit to God – “Your Master in heaven”
- Impartiality – “No partiality in Him”

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Review

	Church	Christ	
Wife	Submission	Love	Husband
Children	Obedience & Honor	Instruction	Father
Slave	Godly Service	Impartiality	Master