

Beyond Sunday with Scripture References

Honor Your Mother

A Sermon Application Guide

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

"God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father's true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen."

Message Theme

Honoring our parents is a Kingdom principle.

Key Concepts/Truths

Ways in which we, as adults, can show honor towards our parents:

- communicating our love and appreciation
- support
- comfort
- spending time
- sharing life
- take time to listen, understand them, and choose our words wisely
- remember them in old age

Key Verses: Ephesians 6:1-3 • John 19:26-27 • Mark 7:10-13 • Proverbs 23:22 • Proverbs 1:7-9

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

Real-Life Application

"Let your father and your mother be glad,

And let her who gave birth to you rejoice [in your wise and godly choices]."

• Proverbs 23:25 (AMP)

Every parent is flawed, and even in their imperfections God used them to birth us and make us who we are. We have been made to love God and love others. One of the ways that love is shown is in honor. Yes, even honoring those who raised us up, fed us and took care of us; our parents.

As we continue throughout this week, even after a day of celebrating mothers, in what ways can we continue to bring joy to those who invested so much into our lives as we grew up?

Take some time with the Lord and ask Him, “How can I show love, honor and bring joy to my parents this week?”

What’s Next?

Now it’s time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

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JOHN 19:26-27 NKJV

When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, “Woman, behold your son!” Then He said to the disciple, “Behold your mother!” And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

MARK 6:3 NKJV

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MARK 7:10-13 ESV

For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ 11 But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban” (that is, given to God)[a]— 12 then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, 13 thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

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1 TIMOTHY 5:4 NKJV

But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God.

PROVERBS 23:22 NKJV ...and do not despise your mother when she is old.

RUTH 1:20-21 NKJV

But she said to them, "Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. I went out full, and the Lord has brought me home again empty. Why do you call me Naomi, since the Lord has testified against me, and the Almighty has afflicted me?

RUTH 4:15 ESV

He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him.

GENESIS 2:24 NKJV

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

PROVERBS 31:28-29 NKJV

Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praises her: "Many daughters have done well, But you excel them all.

PROVERBS 1:7-9 NKJV

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction. My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother; For they will be a graceful ornament on your head, And chains about your neck.

1 KINGS 2:19 NKJV

Bathsheba therefore went to King Solomon, to speak to him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her and bowed down to her, and sat down on his throne and had a throne set for the king s mother; so she sat at his right hand.

PROVERBS 31:1-2 NKJV

The words of King Lemuel, the utterance which his mother taught him: What, my son? And what, son of my womb? And what, son of my vows?

2 TIMOTHY 1:5 NKJV

when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.