



Reference: Exodus 20:12

July 26-30

INTRODUCTION

Over the next few weeks our church will be studying the Ten Commandments. In so doing, we will be discussing how we can better love God and love others. This week in particular we will be looking at God's command for us to honor and obey our parents.

ICE BREAKER

What is your most embarrassing memory of your parents?

QUESTIONS

- 1.) What comes to mind when you hear this commandment? Why do you think God gave it?
- 2.) Earlier in this series we discussed God's intentionality in ordering the commandments. Why do you think this commandment was placed where it is?
- 3.) Josiah made a great point about the nature of honor and why all deserve honor. What do you think it means to honor your parents? Josiah reminded us that God determined who our parents would be, how does this idea remove some of our excuses to not honor them?
- 4.) Read Exodus 20:12, Josiah reminded us that we belong to our Family and that family is important to God. Why do you think that the family is so important to God? How does He show this?
- 5.) Al Mohler said "It is often said, and it is so clearly true, that our relationship with our parents in terms of the most formative period of our lives will, to a great degree, indicate our relationship with God." Why do you think this is true?
- 6.) It is said that the home is that easiest yet hardest place to truly show love. Why do you think this is? How can you strive to show more honor and love to those in your household?
- 7.) Josiah also reminded us that we belong to God's family. Read John 1:12. Do you believe that God loves you and dotes over you as a loving father? Why do we find this difficult to believe at times?