

# HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a



## TALKING ABOUT God's Ten Commandments\*

### THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT

**Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.** Exodus 20:12 ESV

#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This means that we should fear and love God so that we do not despise our parents and those in authority nor provoke them to anger, but honor, serve, obey, love and think highly of them.

### 59 Why should you honor your father and mother?

I should honor my father and mother because God has placed them over me to care for my physical, emotional, and spiritual welfare.

**Ephesians 6:3** *Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."*

### 60 What does it mean to honor your father and mother?

I honor my father and mother when I give them my respectful, loving, and willing obedience and faithfully serve them all my days.

**Luke 2:51a** *And he [Jesus] went down with them [Mary & Joseph] and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them.*

### 61 Whom should you honor besides your parents?

I should honor all those God has placed over me, such as guardians, employers, pastors, teachers, and government officials.

**Hebrews 13:17** *Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.*

## A Verse to Remember

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\* in the **Explanation of Luther's Small Catechism.**

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