

HONOUR

**Thy Father
and Mother**

Ephesians 6:1-3



Ephesians 6:1-3 ESV:

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

'Honour 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.'"

**This is actually
the 5th
Commandment.**

**And the first
commandment
with a promise.**



**HONOR YOUR
FATHER & MOTHER**

Honor your father and
your mother, so that you
may live long in the land
the Lord your God
is giving you.

Exodus 20:12



-We are not commanded to love our Father and Mother but we are commanded to honour them.

-However we are commanded to Love God and keep His commands.

John 14:15:

"If you love me, keep my commands."

-There are blessings if we obey

What are His commands?

Matthew 22:37-40:

"Jesus said to him,

'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

This is the FIRST and great commandment.

And the SECOND is like it:

'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'

On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. "

Commanded to Love our enemies

Matthew 5:43-44 MEV:

"You have heard that it was said,
'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

But I say to you, love your enemies,
bless those who curse you, do good to those
who hate you, and pray for those who
spitefully use you and persecute you"


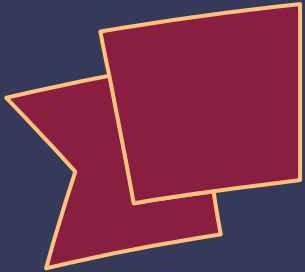
- Love one another, hint that means:
Love Everybody

John 13:34-35:

"A new command I give you: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."



So we see if we love God,
love ourselves, love others
and also love and pray for
our enemies, we are
fulfilling Jesus' commands.



Why aren't we commanded to love our Parents?

- I believe it is because it is something that comes naturally.
- The love between children and parents is strong, created by God, as our Heavenly Father, and doesn't need to be legislated or commanded.

-Does this mean we only love God, and not honour and obey him ? No! how foolish...

-Remember how Jesus taught us to pray in the Lord's Prayer...

Matthew 6:9-10 - CEV

9 You should pray like this:

Our Father in heaven, help us to honour your name.

10 Come and set up your kingdom, so that everyone on earth will obey you, as you are obeyed in heaven.

-So if this 5th Commandment isn't necessary for Salvation and Eternal Life, why should we obey it?

- God still thought it important enough to include it in the 10 Commandments

- It brings a promise of long life and blessing on Earth

-Speaking of Blessings...

Deuteronomy 30:18-20

¹⁹ This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses.

Now choose life, so that you and your children may live

²⁰ and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him.

For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Deuteronomy 28:1-14 ESV

And if you faithfully obey the voice of the Lord your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these

BLESSINGS shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the Lord your God.

BLESSED shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.

BLESSED shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock.

BLESSED shall be your basket and your kneading bowl.

BLESSED shall you be when you come in, and

BLESSED shall you be when you go out.

Deuteronomy 28:1-5 ESV

Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before your face; they shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways. The Lord will command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you set your hand, and He will bless you in the land which the Lord your God is giving you.

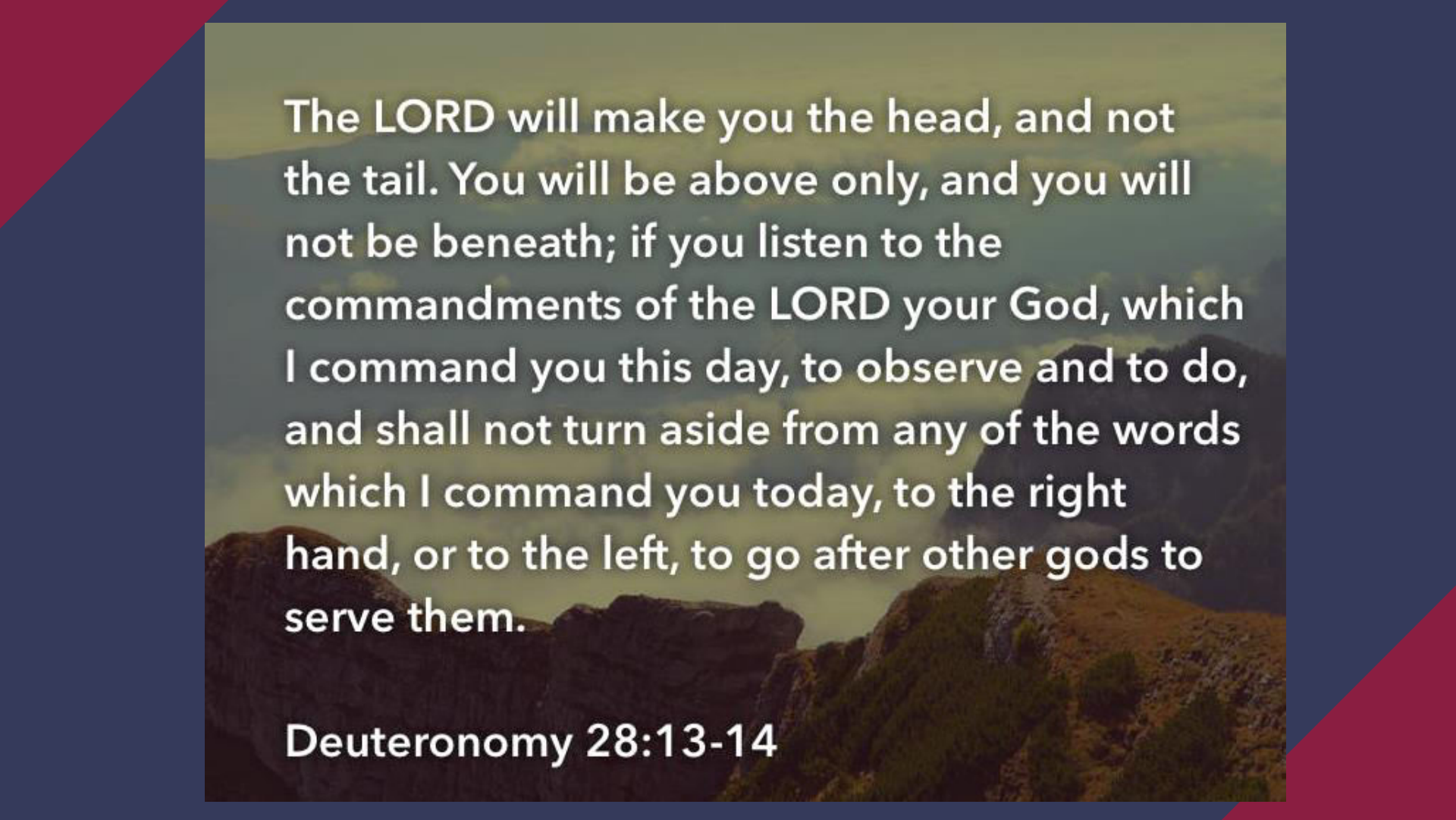
9.) **Deuteronomy 28:9** *The LORD will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the LORD your God and walk in his ways.*

Deuteronomy 28:10 *Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they will fear you..*

**GOD'S BLESSINGS OF
BELONGING TO GOD AND GOD
BELONGING TO YOU.**



"The Lord will grant you
abundant
prosperity...The Lord will open
the heavens, the storehouse
of his bounty, to send rain on
your
land in season and to bless
all the work of your hands.
You will lend to many nations
but will borrow from none."
Deuteronomy 28:11-12



The LORD will make you the head, and not the tail. You will be above only, and you will not be beneath; if you listen to the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day, to observe and to do, and shall not turn aside from any of the words which I command you today, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

Deuteronomy 28:13-14

- Notice that v.11 talks about Land sworn to your Father's
- This is why we Honour and obey our parents, it is for long life and to receive our inheritance
- Obedience is a form of honouring both God and our Parents, but honouring them is much more than obedience

Google defines
honour as the
following:

1. To regard with
great respect.

Eg. "they honoured
their parents in all
they did"

Similar

esteem
respect
admire
defer to
look up to
think highly of
appreciate
value
prize
cherish
revere
venerate
worship

Google defines
honour as the
following:

2. To fulfill
(an obligation)
or keep
(an agreement).

- I had a Selah moment when I contemplated that 2nd definition in relation to this Bible verse "Honour your mother and father"

- A contract is a binding agreement or between two parties
- and what is this agreement or contract in this verse ?

"that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."

- God will honour his part of the contract, and we need to honour our part, so we can receive the blessing of long life and abundance so we can truly thrive in God.

Proverbs 6:20-23



My son, obey your father's commands, and don't neglect your mother's teaching. ²¹ Keep their words always in your heart. Tie them around your neck. ²² Wherever you walk, their counsel can lead you. When you sleep, they will protect you. When you wake up in the morning, they will advise you. ²³ For these commands and this teaching are a lamp to light the way ahead of you. The correction of discipline is the way to life.

- As children grow up, they start to get desires for independence, and question their parents, challenge their authority, and some unfortunately rebel, like the prodigal son.

- Even after messing up, kids will remember their parents, their wisdom, and discipline. Especially when they have children of their own.

**CHILDREN, ALWAYS OBEY
YOUR PARENTS, FOR THIS
PLEASES THE LORD. FATHERS,
DO NOT AGGRAVATE YOUR
CHILDREN, OR THEY WILL
BECOME DISCOURAGED.
(COLOSSIANS 3:20-21)**

- Parents aren't perfect, but most of them will sacrificially do things for the good of their children, and correct them as necessary, advise them and rebuke them to protect them from harm, and from bad decisions.



Ephesians 6:3-4 ESV

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honour 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.'

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord."

**Do not despise
discipline
from your
parents or
from God.**

**My son, do
not despise
the Lord's
discipline
and do not
resent his
rebuke,
because the
LORD
disciplines
those he
loves, as a
father the
son he
delights in.**

- Proverbs 3:11-12 -

**Biblical discipline
isn't castigation or
punishment, but
rather training and
correction.**

**It is about creating
good habits or
disciplines so that
we are able to
survive and thrive.**

What are some
good biblical
disciplines to
honour our Father
in Heaven with ?

1. Prayer and Intercession
2. Reading the Word Of God
3. Worshiping in Spirit and Truth
4. Attending Church
5. Tithing and Giving
6. Sharing the Gospel

1 Corinthians 16:13-15 NIV

*¹³ Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith;
Be courageous; be strong. ¹⁴ Do everything in love.*

So where does this 5th of the 10 commandment fit in?

- Will we still go to Heaven, if we don't follow it?


- Are we still saved, if we have not honoured our Father and Mother?

I believe that according to Scripture...
That Salvation is only in the Name of
Jesus by grace through faith
outworked in Good Actions.

Acts 4:12 NIV

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.

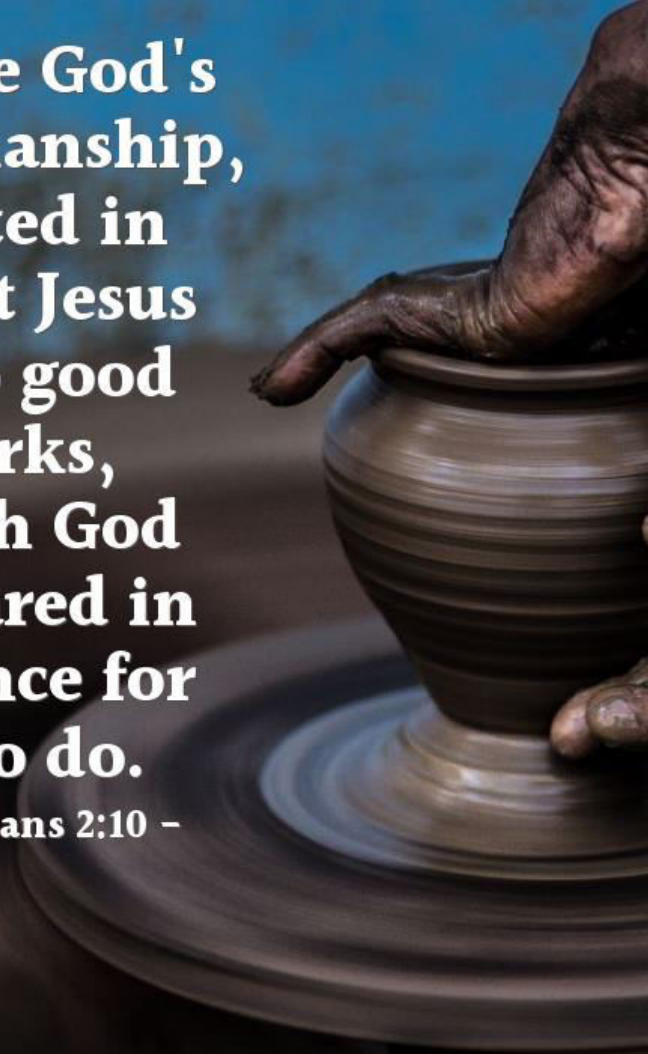


For by
Grace
you have been saved through
FAITH
and that not of yourselves; it is the
gift of  God
NOT of WORKS
that no one would boast.

EPHESIANS 2:8-9



**We are God's
workmanship,
created in
Christ Jesus
to do good
works,
which God
prepared in
advance for
us to do.
- Ephesians 2:10 -**



Salvation is a gift of God received by faith.

If you declare
with your mouth,

“JESUS
is LORD”

and believe
with your heart ^{that}

God raised him from the DEAD

you will be

SAVED.

ROMANS 10:9

Loving Father in Heaven

I am humbly calling out to You

I admit I am a sinner and need your forgiveness;
I believe that Jesus Christ died in my place paying
the penalty for my sins and rose again to give me
new life.

I am willing right now to turn from my sin and
accept Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and
Saviour.

I invite you right now into my life.

I'm tired of doing things my own way,

Lord help me to start doing things Your way.

I need You Lord

I commit myself to you and ask you to send
Your Holy Spirit into my life,
To fill me, to lead me and to guide me,
Come fill the emptiness in me with and make me whole.
Lord help me to love You above all else.
Help me to honour You, to Obey You and to trust You
Help me to understand Your Love, Your grace,
Your mercy, and Your peace
Help me become the kind of person you want me to be.
Help me to live for You for the rest of my life.
Thank you Father for loving me.
In Jesus' name, Amen