

**Series: *The 5* (1)**  
**Parenting Matters**  
Ephesians 6:1-4  
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**\*Honor**

\* Honor is a huge word in Scripture.

- Growing up years (“children”) – obedience
- Mature years – respect & provision for

A. What honoring does not/does mean:

1. Does not mean:

- Desperately seeking their approval
- Making yourself vulnerable to their hurtful behavior
- Denying the past

2. Does mean:

- Putting value on the relationship
- Recognizing they did some things right
- Seeing them as Christ does

B. Why? (vv. 2-3)

□ It blesses us!

- First 4 commandments “Do this, I’m God”
- 5<sup>th</sup> – “that it may be well w/ you.”

C. Your parents care, it matters to them.

**\*LEAD – (v. 4)**

**A. Expect obedience, not perfection.**

**B. Give instruction (not just a sermon)**