

Living by God's Design

Ephesians 6:1-9

Letters of Paul
Sojourners Fellowship



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THEME: Believers are to honor the Lord by living responsibly within the authority structures God has established in the home and at work.

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- I. The Responsibility of Children (1-3)
 - A. Children are to obey their parents (1a)
 1. It is right (1c)
 2. It is part of 'being in the Lord' (1b)
 - B. Children are to honor their parents (2-3)
 1. Obeying them (until they are independent)
 2. Showing respect through speech
 3. Valuing and appreciating them
 4. Listening to their advice
 5. Being helpful to them
 6. Caring for them as they age

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- I. The Responsibility of Children (1-3)
- II. The Responsibility of Parents (4)
 - A. Do not provoke your children to anger (4a)
 - B. Nurture them (4b)
 1. Through discipline
 2. Through instruction of the Lord

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- II. The Responsibility of Parents (4)
- III. The Responsibility of Slaves [employees] (5-8)
 - A. Do what your boss requires (5a)
 - B. Show respect for your boss (5b)
 - C. Obey from the heart, as to the Lord (5c)
 - D. Avoid working for the sake of appearance (6a)
 - E. Remember you are working for Christ (6b)
 - F. Maintain a good attitude (7)
 - G. Keep your eye on the eternal prize (8)

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- II. The Responsibility of Parents (4)
- III. The Responsibility of Slaves [employees] (5-8)
- IV. The Responsibility of Masters [bosses] (9)
 - A. Treat employees as you would want to be treated (9a)
 - B. Remember your role was given to you by God (9b)
 - C. Remember that God is an impartial judge (9c)