

Honor Your Mother

The Fifth Commandment says:

“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

“Honor ... your mother...”

How do you do that?

Thank her often

For dinner, for a clean house, for clean clothes, for daily provisions

When gratitude dies on the altar of a man's heart, that man is well-nigh hopeless,” Bob Jones Sr., Chapel Talks

Know her “these are a few of my favorite things”

Her favorite color

Her favorite thing to do with discretionary money

Her favorite dessert

Her favorite movie

Her favorite pleasures

Her greatest distastes

Respond to the above

Honor her

Treat her with respect

Obey her wishes, obey her commands

Take off shoes

Flush toilet

Put your plates in the kitchen sink after dinner

Stop fighting

Converse with her correctly

Stop, look, listen

Don't roll your eyes or walk away

Say "Yes" or "No"

Converse with others about her correctly

Kids, don't say bad stuff to your friends about your mom.

Dads, don't say bad stuff to your friends about your wife.

Be creative in ways to express gratitude with her

Do the dishes TODAY and often

Take her out to eat today and often

Clean up after yourself. . . today and always

Put the ice cream away today and always

Children, obey her the first time

If mom says, "Take out the trash," take out the trash now.

If mom says, "Come to dinner," she doesn't mean next week.

If mom says, "Clean your room," she means to her standards of clean, not yours.

Husbands, be the leaders in your homes

Lead in family prayer

Lead in family devotions

Lead in church going

Lead in spiritual matters

Give mom time off from the children

Have adequate life insurance (8X your income).

Have a budget and keep it.

Have a written will and tell your wife where it is

So what?