



LIFE IN THE FAMILY

Relationships are important in our lives. Some of the most important relationships are those with our families – our parents, brothers and sisters, or our husband/wife and children if we are married.

🗣️ Share about your family with one another.

In our homes we are usually our 'real selves'. Our family sees us at our best, and our worst! This can be the most difficult place to live as a Christian. Let's find out what the Bible tells us about our relationships with our families.



1. HUSBAND & WIFE

✝ How does God want a husband to act towards his wife?

Ephesians 5:28-33 _____

1 Peter 3:7 _____

✝ What will happen if the husband does not obey God's word?

1 Peter 3:7b _____

✝ How does God want the wife to act towards her husband?

1 Peter 3:1-4 _____

✝ If a woman's husband does not believe in Jesus, how is she to live as a Christian?

1 Peter 3:1-4 _____

Marriage is important to God. He created the first man and woman, Adam and Eve, and brought them together as husband and wife. A husband and wife are to be a team who work together in love, honoring and submitting to one another, with the husband as the leader. Many of you are not married yet, so what kind of person should you look for?

✝ What do these verses tell us about the kind of person we should look for? Why is this so important?

2 Corinthians 6:14-15 _____

2. PARENTS

✝ What should Christian parents teach their children?

Proverbs 22:6 _____

✝ In the Bible fathers are told not to discourage their children. What do you think this means?

Colossians 3:21 _____

When we talk about parents we may think of our own. Perhaps they did not know God. Perhaps they made mistakes when we were growing up and we need to forgive them. No parent is perfect, but as we allow God to change our lives we will be more ready to become parents ourselves one day.

3. CHILDREN



✝ What command does God give to children?

Ephesians 6:1-3 _____

We are all commanded to obey the authorities God has placed over our lives, and in the family that is our parents. As we grow up we become more and more responsible for our own lives, but we should always honor our father and mother. In many cultures honoring parents is very important and some may face difficulties when they become a Christian.

✝ What should we do if our parents ask us to do something that is against God's Word?

Acts 5:29 _____

💡 Have you ever had this kind of difficulty? How can we put God first and still honor our parents?

If you are away from home you probably miss your parents and other family members. And sometimes when we are with them all the time we forget how important they are to us. God loves our family too. And he wants each one to come to know him. Perhaps he has begun with you! Let's pray for our whole family to be saved. Let's live with our family in a way that pleases God. Maybe others can't see what we are like at home – but God can! As it says at the end of 1 Corinthians 10, "I don't just do what I like or what is best for me, but what is best for them so they may be saved."



Pray for one another's families to come to know Jesus.

Memory Verse

"They replied, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, along with your entire household.'"

Acts 16:31