

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.  
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SERMON OUTLINE 8/16/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 6:1-4](#)

TITLE: “GOD’S PLAN FOR THE FAMILY/CHILDREN”

INTRO:

1. Man’s problem and God’s solution...
2. God’s word declares it/\_\_\_\_\_ can demand it.
3. Salvation...submission...success.
4. Credit John MacArthur/Warren Wiersbe main resources.

PROPOSITION: Stand strong and speak up with boldness for the family principles taught in the Bible.

I. THE SUBMISSION OF THE CHILD, *Ephesians 6:1-3*.

A. The Command To Obey, *verse 1*.

1. Define, “Children”.
  - a. Broad term...
  - b. Specific application.
2. Define, “Obey your parents”, *verse 1*.
  - a. God’s direction/obedience is right!
    - (1.) The \_\_\_\_\_ message.
    - (2.) The conflict in society.
  - b. God’s design/obedience is commanded.
    - (1.) Children are not normally obedient, *cf. Romans 3:10*.
    - (2.) Proverbs is prominent in addressing this \_\_\_\_\_:  
*cf. [Proverbs 1:8](#); [3:1, 2](#); [4:1-4](#); [4:10](#); [5:1, 2](#); [7:1-3](#); [7:24](#); [8:32-36](#); [12:1](#); [13:1](#) & [15:5](#).*
  - c. Why do children need firm guidance and correction?  
*Cf. [Luke 2:52](#)*

- (1.) Children lack wisdom.
  - (2.) Children lack physical maturity.
  - (3.) Children lack social \_\_\_\_\_, cf. [I Corinthians 13:11](#).
  - (4.) Children lack spiritual maturity.
- d. The disaster of disobedience.
    - (1.) Inadequate correction, [Proverbs 30:11-14](#).
    - (2.) Indecent rebellion, [II Timothy 3:1-5](#).
3. Define, “In The Lord”, *verse 1*.
    - a. The sphere-obey, \_\_\_\_\_, please, honor...
    - b. The specifics, cf. [Colossians 3:20/Daniel 6:10/Matthew 10:37-39](#).
  4. Define, “For this is right”, *verse 1*.
    - a. God says it’s right!
    - b. Forms of the word used 183 times in the New Testament alone...
- B. The Command To Honor, *verses 2, 3*.
1. The principle, *verse 2a*.
    - a. Honor with reverence and respect. \_\_\_\_\_ is the attitude behind the act. What’s a right act done with a wrong attitude?
    - b. Honor with financial support, cf. [Matthew 15:1-6](#).
  2. The priority, *verse 2b*.
  3. The promise, *verse 3*.
    - a. God promised quality/Full life.
    - b. God promised quantity/\_\_\_\_\_ life, cf. [I Samuel 2:22-25, 27-31 & 34; 4:11](#).

## CONCLUSION:

1. Parents, what do you expect from your children?
2. Children, what do you deliver to your parents?
3. Is my heart right with God?