

The Bible says to “honour your father and mother” (Eph. 6:2). One New Testament commentary says that to honour someone is to “treat her with the deference, respect, reverence, kindness, courtesy, and obedience which her station in life . . . demands.”

For young children, this means obeying mum. For teenagers, it indicates showing respect for Mum and Dad even if you think you know more than they do. For young adults, this means including your parents in your life. And for those in middle-age and beyond, it means making sure that parents are cared for as they move into old age or their health declines.

How can you honour your mum this week?

Honouring our parents has no age limit.



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Honouring Mum

My mum recently turned 90 years old and her physical capabilities are fading. She can still move around with her walker, but she needs someone to cook her meals and help her with other tasks.

My older brother Steve and his wife Judy lived close to her, so they decided to move in with mum to care for her. Wanting to help in some way, my wife and I flew interstate to help out a bit by watching mum while my brother and his wife had some time away together. We enjoyed our time with my mum and were glad to ease Steve and Judy's load—even if it was only for a few days.





Our Home Honouring Mum

(Psalms 139:13) "For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb."

In Ephesians 6:1-3 is a summary of the two main ways any person on planet earth is to relate to their mother:

1. _____ her whilst you are a _____, verse 1



(Colossians 3:20) "Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord."

2. _____ her always, verses 2-3

(Exodus 20:12) "'Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you."

This means:

◆ A _____ of mum,

(Leviticus 19:3) "'Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father, ...: I am the LORD your God."

(1 Kings 2:19) "Bathsheba therefore went to King Solomon, ... And the king rose up to meet her and bowed down to her, and sat down on his throne and had a throne set for the king's mother; so she sat at his right hand."

◆ _____ her,

(Proverbs 11:16) "A gracious woman retains honour, ..."

(Proverbs 23:25) "Let your father and your mother be glad, And let her who bore you rejoice."

(Deuteronomy 27:16) "'Cursed is the one who treats his father or his mother with contempt.' And



all the people shall say, 'Amen!'"

(Proverbs 23:22) "... do not despise your mother when she is old."

(Proverbs 20:20) "Whoever curses his father or his mother, His lamp will be put out in deep darkness."

(Exodus 21:15) "'And he who strikes his father or his mother shall surely be put to death."

◆ Giving _____ for her,

(Proverbs 31:28) "Her children rise up and call her blessed; ..."

(Proverbs 30:11) "There is a generation that curses its father, And does not bless its mother."

(Philippians 1:3) "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,"

◆ _____ for her,

(Proverbs 3:9) "Honor the LORD with your possessions, ...;"

(1 Timothy 5:3) "Honor widows who are really widows."

(Proverbs 28:24) "Whoever robs his father or his mother, And says, 'It is no transgression,' The same is companion to a destroyer."

(Matthew 15:4-7) "'For God commanded, saying, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.' {5} 'But you say, 'Whoever says to his father or mother, 'Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God'; {6} 'then he need not honor his father or mother.' Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition. {7} 'Hypocrites! ...:'"

◆ _____ her and _____ her

(1 Corinthians 13:4-8) "Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; {5} does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; {6} does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; {7} bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. {8} Love never fails. ..."

(Genesis 2:24-25) "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. {25} And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed."

