

Honor Your Father and Mother, The First Commandment with a Promise

Main Bible Verse:

(Ephesians 6:1-3) Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

Summary:

Matthew 6:12 | Luke 23:34

- We must read our Bibles at least 30 minutes a day and lift up our hands and worship for 5 minutes a day.
 - We need to find a shaded and quiet place where we can ask God to walk with us when we worship and praise, and He will greatly bless us.
 - Our worship must be in spirit and in truth for this is what pleases God the most and the next is to forgive others.
 - If people offend us, we must lift up our hands and forgive them, and miracles will come upon us.
 - Jesus set an example for us on the cross.
 - When we are being suppressed and falsely accused, we must forgive them and pray for them.

Ephesians 6:1-3

- We must always honor our parents for this is the first commandment with a promise.
- If we want our prayers to be answered, we must honor our father and our mother.
 - If we do not honor our parents, we will not be able to receive any of the blessings in the Bible.
- Honoring our parents is the first step to our prayers being answered and receiving what God wants to give us.
 - Our lives will be long and filled with blessings.
- What is honoring our parents?
 - We must bring our parents to church to receive blessings from God.
 - We must love our parents and hug them.
 - We must speak gently and softly to them.
 - We must help our parents with household chores.
 - We must apologize to and reconcile with our parents when we offend them.

Luke 23:34 | Matthew 6:12-13 | Matthew 16:26

- The first thing Jesus said on the cross was, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."
 - Jesus had the mindset of forgiveness when He was being sacrificed on the cross.
- We must learn from Jesus and forgive anyone in debt to us.
 - When we do this, not only will God also forgive us, but He will help us away from temptations.
- Jesus came to earth to sacrifice Himself for us so that we may be redeemed.
 - Jesus' salvation is the most important part of our lives, so He taught us that, "What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"
- Jesus carried the cross, got crucified, and was whipped, but He still prayed for forgiveness for those who had persecuted Him.
 - We must learn from Jesus' example and forgive those around us.

Matthew 5:1-3 | Matthew 5:10-12

- There are 2 Bible verses that teach us how to obtain the kingdom of heaven.

- The ways are to be poor in spirit and to be persecuted for righteousness.
- When we have the kingdom of heaven, we will have God's blessings, and this will be more than what we can fight for by our own ways.
- Jesus taught us that we must be poor in spirit.
 - This means that we must empty our hearts of our own thoughts, worries, complaints, jealousy, anger, and criticism and judgment.
 - We must let God do everything for us, and the kingdom of heaven will be ours.
 - We must not have our own ways, but we must follow the way of God.
 - We must continuously forgive others.
- Jesus also taught us that we do not need to worry or feel bad when we are persecuted for righteousness because once again, the kingdom of heaven will be ours.
 - This is a form of taking up the cross.
 - Another form of being persecuted for righteousness is to do the work of the kingdom that others are not willing to do.
 - When we do so, we will be blessed for everything we do is for God.

John 18:6

- When we are poor in spirit, are glad and rejoice while being persecuted for righteousness, and when we fall before God, the kingdom of heaven will enter us.
 - The kingdom of heaven is the solution to all of our problems.
- God has already pardoned and healed us.
 - All of our sickness will vanish, so we must have full faith without doubt.
 - On the way to pulpit to receive the anointing of the Holy Spirit, we must take 4 steps for healing.
 - We must have full faith
 - We must have no doubts
 - We will receive God's kingdom
 - We will receive healing