

This discussion guide is meant to provide group leaders with a framework to lead a gospel-centered discussion based off the T.O.D. Talk in the first week. This should be used to guide conversation and push the students closer to the Scriptures.

Week 1 OVERVIEW: Honoring Parents

<u>Series Summary</u>: We are created and designed to be in relation with the people around us. While you can choose your friends, you cannot choose your family. God has uniquely placed each one of us in a family and for the next couple of weeks we will be navigating different types of family relationships and looking at what the Bible has to say about those relationships.

<u>Main Idea</u>: Over the course of a lifetime, the people in our families are the people we see the most and know the deepest. We see each other's flaws, strengths, weaknesses, quirks, etc. Our families see the best of us and the worst of us and God has a lot to say about how we love, respect, and honor each other.

Key Scripture: Exodus 20:12, Colossians 3:20-21, Ephesians 6:1-4, 1 Timothy 5:1-2, 1 Peter 5:5

DISCUSSION

Getting Started

- Share one your most favorite memories involving your family.
- Share something that you and your parents have fought about.

*Pro tip: honoring a person has a lot to do with the attitude of your heart towards that person.

Digging Deeper

- Read Exodus 20:12. Why do you think God memorialized this commandment in the 10 commandments?
- How does honoring our parents compare to honoring God?
- Read Ephesians 6:1-4. What does it mean to obey your parents in the Lord?
- What does it look like to honor your father and mother?
- Read 1 Timothy 5:1-2. What could it look like to encourage our Dads? Moms?

Examples of Family in the Bible

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