

“A Spirit Filled Family”  
Ephesians 6:1-4

Why is raising children sometimes frustrating?

1. We don't always \_\_\_\_\_ what to do.
2. We feel an incredible \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. We want our children to \_\_\_\_\_ and obey God.
  - B. We want them to have a good self-\_\_\_\_\_.
  - C. We want our children to take responsibility for their \_\_\_\_\_.
  - D. We want them to have a positive mental \_\_\_\_\_.
  - E. We want them to have a \_\_\_\_\_ spirit.
  - F. We want them to be \_\_\_\_\_.

To have a Spirit filled family we must:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ to one another. (Ephesians 5:21)

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

Principle: Children are to \_\_\_\_\_ their parents.

Why are children to obey their parents?

1. It is \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. It is the \_\_\_\_\_ thing to do.

“But know this, that in the last days, perilous times will come; for men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful...” 2 Timothy 3:1,2

Principle: Children are to \_\_\_\_\_ their parents.

“Do not withhold correction from a child, for if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. You shall beat him with a rod, and deliver his soul from hell.” Proverbs 23:13, 14

Principle: Honor your parents by \_\_\_\_\_ them for what they did wrong and \_\_\_\_\_ what they did right.

How can you honor a parent who has been dishonorable to you?

1. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ your hurt.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ with your parents.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ God knows and God cares.

Principle: Parents are not to \_\_\_\_\_ their children.

“Father's do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.” Ephesians 6:4

Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:15; 29:15; 29:17

Seven ways we frustrate our children:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_

Principle: Parents are to \_\_\_\_\_ their children.

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6

“Train up” – to create a thirst; to direct or lead.

“In the way he should go”- according to the \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics of that child.