

MARK 7:1-13

6/28/25

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
- Comments –
 - This presentation is related to last Wednesday-night's Bible study
 - Last Wednesday's study = Fifth Commandment
 - That presentation had 4 main concepts – I covered the first 3 concepts, but merely mentioned the fourth concept – suggesting the possibility of covering the fourth concept today
- Title – “Mark 7:1-13”

1. Honoring Parents – with Actions and Words

Exod. 21:15 “he who strikes his father or his mother shall surely be put to death”
17 “he who curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death”

2. What If Your Parents Don't Deserve Honor? Honor Your Heavenly Father – by Avoiding Revenge Upon Your Physical Parents

Eph. 6:1 children – obey your parents “in the Lord” – “for this is right”
2-3 “Honor your father and mother” – which is the first commandment with
 promise – might be well with you & you may live long on the earth

3. Help the Fatherless – to Find the Father and the Son

Acts 17:27 helping people to seek the Lord – He is not far from each one of us

4. Honor Your Parents – with Money

Mark 7:1 the Pharisees and some scribes – came together to Him – having come
 from Jerusalem
2 they found fault with the disciples
3 the Pharisees and all the Jews – do not eat unless they wash their hands in
 a special way – according to the tradition of the elders
4 other things included – washing of cups, pitchers, copper vessels, couches
5 the Pharisees and scribes asked Him – “Why don't your disciples follow
 the tradition of the elders? Why do thy eat bread with unwashed
 hands?”
6 Son of God said – “The prophet Isaiah prophesied about you hypocrites”

- 6-7 Son of God paraphrased Isaiah 29:13 – “This people honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me – and in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”
- 8 then the Son of God commented – “for laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition on men – the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do”
- 9 the Son of God said – “you reject the commandment of God, that you might keep your own traditions
- 10 for Moses said – ‘Honor your father and your mother’ [Exodus 20:12] – ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death’ [Exodus 21:17]
- 11 mentioned their excuse – You say: “whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban [that is, a gift to God]”
- 12-13 “ then you no longer let him do anything for his father or his mother, making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

God’s Word Translation – “But you say, ‘If a person tells his father or mother that whatever he might have used to help them is corban (that is, an offering to God), he no longer has to do anything for his father or mother.’ Because of your traditions, you have destroyed the authority of God’s Word. And you do many other things like that.”

Contemporary English Version: “But you let people get by without helping their parents when they should. You let them say that what they own has been offered to God. You won’t let those people help their parents. And you ignore God’s commands in order to follow your own teaching. You do a lot of other things that are just as bad.”

- 2 Cor. 12:14 early in life – parents save money for children
- 1 Tim. 5:4 later – children honor their parents with money
- 8 if someone does not provide for his own – he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever
- Luke 11:11-12 if a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone?
- if a son asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish?
- If asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?
- Psalms 145:15 definitely provide for needs – You give them their food in due season
- 16 often provide for desires – You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing