

“Family Mechanics” - Lesson 2

“Key To A Smooth Ride”

Main Focus:

We must honor and obey our parents!



Power Verse:

“Children, always obey your parents, for this pleases the Lord.”
- Colossians 3:20



Whatchagaddaknow:

“I Will Honor And Obey. I Will Do What My Parents Say!”

LEADER'S INFO

Every family wants a smooth ride — one without constant conflict, backtalk, and frustration. But just like a car needs the right key to start, families work best when children honor and obey their parents.

God made it clear in His Word that obedience isn't just a rule — it's a blessing. When kids learn to respect and follow their parents' leadership, they're learning how to obey God as well.

In this lesson, kids will learn that obedience isn't about being perfect — it's about trusting the ones God put in charge to lead them. When children treat their parents with love, kindness, and respect, it sets the whole family up for unity and peace.

Obeying and honoring parents is one of the “keys” to a healthy family and a smooth ride down the highway of life!



“The Spark” Intro Video

“Are We There Yet?”



“Whatchagaddaknow” Video

Disco Dave teaches “Whatchagaddaknow”



Character Skit

“Otto Mobile”



Offering Time



Game Time!

“Blindfolded Musical Chairs”



Bible Story

“Abraham And Isaac”



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Call To Action

“Keys To A Smooth Ride”



Rewind!

Review Game



Small Group Experience

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Lesson 2 Materials Needed:

“The Spark” Intro Video

- “Lesson 2 - The Spark” Intro Video

“Whatchagaddaknow” Video

- “Whatchagaddaknow” Teaching Video
- “Whatchagaddaknow” Trigger Video

Character Skit

- “Otto Mobile” Theme Graphic/Music

Offering Time

- “Offering Time” Bumper Video

Game Time!

- “Game Time!” Bumper Video
- “Blindfolded Musical Chairs” Graphic
- Nine Chairs
- Ten Blindfolds
- Music

Bible Story

- “Abraham And Isaac” Graphics

Power Verse Video

- “Lesson 2 Power Verse” Video

Call To Action

- “Keys To A Smooth Ride” Graphics
- A Hand Mirror
- A Backpack Filled With Heavy Items
- A set Of Keys (*With A Label Attached As Described In The Call To Action*)

Rewind!

- “Rewind!” Bumper Video
- “Rewind!” Lesson 2 Graphics

Small Group Experience

- Bible Story Print Piece
- Crayons, Pencils, Or Markers
- Honor & Obey Print Pieces
- Two-Liter Bottles Of Soda Or Water
- Paper Plates
- Scissors
- Tape
- Colossians 3:20 Print Piece

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Introduction to “The Spark” Intro Video

Leader: Hey, kids! Today, we are continuing with our series called “Family Mechanics.” We are giving our families a Biblical tune-up to keep them running smooth!

Let me ask you something — have you ever had a hard time obeying your parents? Maybe they asked you to clean your room, and you were right in the middle of a game. Or maybe they said, “It’s bedtime,” and you thought, “But I’m not even tired!” Anything like that ever happen to you? *(Have a few kids share their experiences)*

We’ve all had moments where obedience felt hard. But did you know that when we choose to honor and obey our parents, we’re not just making them happy — we’re making GOD happy too?

Today, we’re going to learn why obedience is one of the most important parts of a strong family. Let’s check out this video to find out more...

(play “The Spark - Intro Video Lesson 2”)

Leader: God gave us parents to lead and protect us, and He wants us to follow their instructions with a good attitude. Obedience isn’t just about rules — it’s about honor and trust.

When we obey our parents, we’re showing that we trust God’s way is best — even when it’s hard. And when everyone in the family is working together the way God designed, life just runs a whole lot smoother.

Today, our lesson is all about how obedience can lead to a smoother ride in our families. Right now, it’s time to find out “Whatchagaddaknow!”

(play “Whatchagaddaknow” Teaching Video)



CHARACTER SKIT

Character: “Otto Mobile” *(He is a passionate car enthusiast! He loves ALL thins cars and can’t stop talking about them. He is dressed in loud colors, a hat, and sunglasses.)*

Otto: *(Holding a toy car)* Zoom-zoom! Check out my latest addition, a 2070 Turbo Racer! Our future is really looking bright with this one! This baby can go from zero to sixty faster than a hiccup! Can you believe it?

Leader: You’re in full throttle today, Otto! Have you ever thought about what makes a smooth ride?

Otto: You mean besides having a killer set of wheels? My cars are designed for smooth cruising!

Leader: *(Chuckling)* Well, there’s more to it than just fancy wheels. One important key to a smooth ride is honoring your parents!

Otto: *(Confused)* What do my parents have to do with cars? They can’t even change a tire without a tow truck!

Leader: Honoring and obeying your parents helps you steer clear of trouble, like avoiding speed bumps on the road.

Otto: Avoiding speed bumps? More like making detours! Every time Mom says I can’t race outside, I feel like I’m stuck in traffic! *(Pretends he’s stuck in slow motion)* Time moves soooo sloooow...

Leader: *(Nodding)* I understand, but think of obedience as the fuel that keeps your engine running smoothly. It’s not always easy to stop what you’re doing to obey, but it leads to greatness.

Otto: *(Pouting)* Okay... But why does it have to be moms and dads who tell us to clean our rooms or do chores? Couldn’t they ask us to do more fun things, like shine the car and race around the block?

Leader: *(Gently)* Because they want what’s best for you! Just like when you’re driving, you need to follow the road signs to stay safe. Honoring your parents is like respecting those signs.

Otto: So you’re saying my parents are like the traffic lights of life? Red means stop, green means go, and yellow... uh, do I just honk? BEEP! BEEP!

Leader: *(Laughing)* Well, kinda! It’s about listening, understanding, and sometimes waiting. When you honor and obey your parents, you honor God, too!

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CHARACTER SKIT

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Otto: *(Excitedly)* Wow! So, if I obey Mom when she says to clean my racing trophies, I'm showing God I honor Him?

Leader: *(Smiling)* Exactly! It's about keeping your “spiritual engine” in top shape! When you honor your parents, you build a strong foundation for your future to drive you toward success!

Otto: So, every time I obey, it's like getting a tune-up for my heart?

Leader: You've got it! When you treat your parents with respect, you unlock smoother and more joyful paths in life!

Otto: *(Pumped up)* Wow! I never thought I'd be learning about life's lessons in the garage! I'm ready to hit the road with this new knowledge!

Leader: That's the spirit! Now, let's put those keys into the ignition and move toward honor and obedience!

Otto: *(Saluting)* Aye aye, Captain! I promise to give it my best lap! My parents won't know what hit 'em!

Leader: *(Laughing)* I look forward to hearing about your “smooth ride”! Remember, every time you honor your parents, you're winning the race!

Otto: *(Raising his toy car triumphantly)* Vroom-vroom for family values! Let's hit the pavement of obedience! See ya soon, speedsters! Until next time, I am Otto Mobile! Always use your blinker! Bye now!

(EXITS WHILE THEME MUSIC PLAYS)



GAME TIME

“Blindfolded Musical Chairs”

Items Needed For Game:

Nine chairs; ten blindfolds; music

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Preparation:

Choose five boys and five girls to play the game. Stack the chairs in two stacks
(so the players cannot see where they will be when they play).

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How To Play:

Hand each person a blindfold, and have them put it on. Once each person is blindfolded, place the chairs in random places throughout the room. Then, have the players get down on their hands and knees.

The moment the music starts, the players must each begin crawling around on the floor, trying to find a chair. Once they find a chair, they must climb up into the chair and take their blindfold off. They may then yell at their teammates and tell them where to crawl to find a chair.

The first team to have all five of their players sitting in a chair is the winning team. This can be played in multiple rounds like classic musical chairs, removing one chair each time a player gets “out” *(doesn’t find a chair)*, until there is only one player remaining; that player wins for their team.



Bible Story

“Abraham And Isaac”

Materials Needed:

The graphic slides for Lesson 2; begin with the slide that says “Bible Story”; follow the instructions below, changing the slides to follow along with the story (*as shown*)

Preparation:

Familiarize yourself with the story in Genesis 22; have your open Bible in your hands as you tell the story

The Story:

Today we are learning about how important it is for us to honor and obey our parents as well as show love to our entire family. It’s not always easy to honor, obey, and love. One amazing story in the Bible that teaches us all about this is found in Genesis 22.



Abraham was a man who loved God very much. God spoke to Abraham (*show pic*) and said, “Abraham, I want you to sacrifice your son, Isaac, to me.” This was a shock to Abraham because Isaac was Abraham’s only son. To “sacrifice” him, Abraham would have to place Isaac on an altar and kill him. This was something that was usually done with lambs and sheep, not people. This was difficult for Abraham to hear. He loved his son, Isaac.



Abraham obeyed God and took Isaac up a nearby mountain. (*show pic*) On the way up the mountain, Isaac noticed that there was no lamb with them. He asked Abraham, “Father, how are we going to perform a sacrifice without a lamb?” (*show pic*) Abraham told Isaac, “God will provide a lamb for the sacrifice.”



When they got to the top of the mountain, Abraham placed Isaac on the altar. Now, you have to understand, Abraham was over 100 years old at this point. Isaac was a strong, young man. If he wanted to, he could have run away or fought against his dad and won. Instead, Isaac obeyed. It wasn’t easy, but he obeyed his father and stayed on the altar to be sacrificed.



(*show pic*) Abraham raised his knife in the air, ready to obey God and sacrifice his son. Suddenly, an angel called out to Abraham, (*show pic*) “Abraham, lay down the knife!” Abraham put the knife down. The angel told Abraham, “Because you have obeyed, God will bless you richly.” God also provided a ram caught in a bush to become the sacrifice.

Do you think it was easy for Isaac to obey his father and get on the altar? No! Was it any easier for Abraham to obey his Heavenly Father and sacrifice his own son? Not at all. However, both of these acts of obedience are definitely connected. You see, when you obey your earthly parents, you are obeying your Heavenly Father.

Honor, obedience, and love are three important ingredients of a healthy family. We are going to learn all about them in our lesson today.



Call To Action

“Keys To A Smooth Ride”

Materials Needed:

The “Keys To A Smooth Ride” graphics; a hand mirror; a backpack filled with heavy items (rocks, books, weights, etc.); a set of keys (attach a large label to the set of keys that says “HONOR” and “OBEDIENCE”)

Preparation:

Begin with the slide titled, “Keys To A Smooth Ride”



The Message: (title slide)

Let me ask you something. Have you ever acted like your ears turned off when your parents asked you to do something? Maybe they said, “Take out the trash,” and you suddenly forgot how to move. Or “Clean your room,” and your body acted like it needed a nap! (Be playful — even act out a dramatic “faint” or slow-motion move.)

Let’s be honest, we’ve all had moments where we didn’t want to listen or obey. But when we choose to disobey and complain, things in the family don’t run smoothly. It’s like trying to drive a car with flat tires — it’s a bumpy, miserable ride.

So, let’s take a few moments and learn some “Keys To A Smooth Ride” when it comes to our families. It has a LOT to do with US! The first key to know is...



We Must Honor Our Parents In Everything We Do (slide)

(hold up the mirror) Your words and actions toward your parents are lot like a mirror. Let me explain. The words and attitudes you have toward your parents - they reflect how much you honor your parents. When you talk back, roll your eyes, or ignore instructions, that reflection isn’t showing love or respect. It’s showing dishonor and completely goes against what God has told us to do. “Children, always obey your parents, for this pleases the Lord.” - Colossians 3:20

But when you speak kind words, say thank you, listen and obey the *first* time - you’re honoring your parents. Whether you are at home, in public, or around your friends - honoring your parents is always the right choice.

Just like a mirror needs to stay clean to reflect clearly, we need to keep our hearts clean from bad attitudes that “dirty up” how we treat our parents. Want a smooth ride in your family? Honor your parents in everything you do. But, you do need to understand...



Call To Action (Continued)



Obedience Is Never Easy (slide)

(pick up the backpack, show the heavy items inside) Sometimes, obeying your parents is very difficult. It's not something you *want* to do. You don't *feel* like it. Like when they ask you to do something you really, really don't want to do. It's like carrying a heavy backpack with heavy stuff in it. It's not fun, and it's definitely not easy.

Do you think it was easy for Isaac to obey Abraham in today's Bible story? No way! He was carrying wood, walking up a mountain, and didn't even know what was going to happen, but he trusted his father and obeyed anyway.

Obedience takes strength, and we don't always have the strength to obey - not on our own. But the good news is: God helps us carry the weight. He gives us strength to obey - even when it isn't easy. You may not always understand the plan, but you can still obey. Obedience may feel heavy, but it leads to something powerful...



When We Honor & Obey Our Parents, We Honor & Obey God (slide)

(hold up the set of keys with the labels of “HONOR” and “OBEDIENCE”) That's why the keys to a smooth ride in your family are: Honor and Obedience. When you use these keys, you're doing the *right* thing. And - you're not just honoring your parents, you're honoring God.

Remember, God didn't say “obey your parents if you feel like it” or “only if they buy you snacks.” He said, “*Children, ALWAYS obey your parents, for this pleases the Lord.*” - **Colossians 3:20**

And the best part of the whole thing? Obedience brings blessing. God promises a long and blessed life to those who choose to obey and honor their parents. That's not just a nice idea, that's a promise - a guarantee from Heaven! So, let's choose to honor and obey our parents so we can have a smooth ride down the highway of life!

ALTAR RESPONSE (play soft music)

Pray with the children that God would help them get rid of the horrible habit of disobeying and dishonoring their parents and replace it with the habit of showing honor to their parents and obeying them. Remind them that although it is not always easy, God will bless them if they honor and obey their parents.



Materials Needed:

“REWIND!” Lesson 2 Graphics; “REWIND!” Bumper Video

Preparation:

Play the “REWIND!” Bumper Video; Begin with the slide titled “REWIND!”; there is a slide for each question

1. Whatchagaddaknow today?

Answer: “I Will Honor And Obey. I Will Do What My Parents Say!”

2. What was the name of the son in our Bible Story?

Answer: Isaac

3. What did God ask Abraham to do with Isaac?

Answer: Sacrifice Him

4. What did Isaac think they were going to sacrifice on the altar?

Answer: A Lamb

5. According to our lesson today, “We Must Honor Our Parents In _____ We Do.”

Answer: Everything

6. According to our lesson today, “Obedience Is Never _____.”

Answer: Easy

7. According to our lesson today, “When We Honor & Obey Our _____, We Honor & Obey God.”

Answer: Parents

8. Was it easy for Isaac to obey his father?

Answer: No

9. True or False: God provided a turtle for the sacrifice.

Answer: False

10. Where was our Power Verse found?

Answer: Colossians 3:20