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4th Commandment



**Honor your father and mother, that it may go well with you
and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.**

1.) In this commandment God is protecting his representatives whom he has placed in authority over us. When we disrespect them we risk losing the blessings he has for us. Fill out the following chart.

Authority	Give some examples of how they are disrespected.	What blessings does God want to give us through them?
Parents		
Government (for example: the president, police, etc.)		
Those in the church (for example: pastors, elders, teachers)		
Bosses and managers		

2.) Our God wants us to obey those in authority not because they always behave in the most honorable ways but because they are his representatives and by respecting and obeying them we are showing love and respect for him. How could you show honor for God's authorities in the following situations?

a.) Your father warns you against unhealthy habits (such as eating junk food or spending so much time on screens) in which he freely indulges.

b.) You overhear your teacher using inappropriate language.

c.) Your manager at the fast-food restaurant seems to delight in giving you the task of taking out the garbage and cleaning the bathrooms.