

**FAMILY FOR THE GLORY OF GOD,
PART 3: CHILDREN**
Colossians 3:20

Children, obey. Why does the apostle use the word obey instead of honor, which has a greater extent of meaning? It is because obedience is the evidence of that honor which children owe to their parents, and is therefore more earnestly enforced.

- John Calvin

1. What are children called to do?

- Who is he talking to?

- What does obedience look like?

- Are there limits to obedience?

2. Why are children called to do it?

- What is the natural response?

- What is the promise?

- What is the motivation?

Family Application Questions

1. While we are all children of someone, there is some distinction as to how we are to respond to parents. What are some differences between the call to obey and the call to honor? What are some indications that the call on a child has moved from the call to continually obey to the ongoing call to honor?

2. Are there specific times in this last week that you can think of where you have not honored authority in your life? It might be in the home, at school, or even in the workplace. If there is, are you willing to confess your failure and ask for forgiveness? What steps can you take to help you move toward obedience in that relationship?

3. **Children-** What are some areas where it is difficult for you to obey? What makes those things difficult? Can you think of any steps that you can take that will help you move out of sinful habits and into habits of obedience?

