

Ephesians Chapter 6
Lesson 1

ONE: Looking at children today what observations do you make about the way kids behave in general? What particularly do you see in the way kids today relate to their parents?

TWO: What command is given in Ephesians 6:1 (Also found in Col. 3:20)?

THREE: According to verse 1-3 what two reasons are given for obeying this command?

1 _____ 2 _____

BONUS QUESTION: Where does this command come from?

FOUR: According to John 14:31 how did Jesus relate to His heavenly Father? According to Luke 2:51 how did He relate to His earthly parents?

FIVE: Looking at Jesus' example, how should children desiring to honor God treat their parents?

SIX: According to Deuteronomy 27:16 what does God say about children who dishonor their parents? What feeling should that verse create in an unruly child?

SEVEN: In the last days the home is going to be broken. Read 2 Timothy 3:1-4 and Romans 1:28-30 and write down what children will be like in the last days.

EIGHT: Considering attitude, manner of speech, and actions, write down how these different children might honor their parents:

minors still living at home dependent on parents:

adults living outside of home independent

abandoned children:

children wounded by parents:

NINE: How might you today consciously honor your parents?

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Lesson 2

ONE: Who is addressed in verse 4?

TWO: Describe your relationship with your own parents and your thoughts on how they raised you.

THREE: What should a father avoid doing (see Col. 3:20 also)?

FOUR: Describe what that might look like

FIVE: Instead how are fathers to raise their children?

SIX: What are good elements of parenting found in the following passages?

Genesis 18:19

Deuteronomy 6:5-9

Proverbs 1:8-10

Proverbs 19:18

Proverbs 22:6

Matthew 18:6

Hebrews 12:7-10

SEVEN: Can a parent's discipline be done from love? What would that look like? What would it look like when not done from love?

EIGHT: How does this passage help you see your role as a parent, if you are one?

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Lesson 3

ONE: Describe your attitude towards authorities (boss, parent, husband, police, teachers, etc.)

TWO: How many times does the word “obey” occur? What do you learn about the way a slave should obey his master from each occurrence?

THREE: What does the passage teach about the heart of a slave?

FOUR: Three times Jesus is mentioned in connection with serving earthly masters. How does serving Christ and serving an earthly master relate? (See also Colossians 3:22-24).

FIVE: Read Genesis 39:1-6 and describe what made Joseph a good slave.

SIX: Read 1 Corinthians 7:21-23 and answer the following questions:

True or False: If possible (legally) a Christian slave should seek his freedom (v21).

If he can't gain his freedom in what way does the passage say he as a slave is free (v22)

Why should Christians not become slaves of men if they are free? (v23)

SEVEN: Read Ephesians 6:7-8 and Colossians 3:23-24 and write down what Jesus is going to do for faithful slaves

EIGHT: How does this passage challenge you to see your service and employment new?

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Lesson 4

ONE: What traits make a good boss? What makes for a bad boss?

TWO: How are masters instructed to treat their slaves?

THREE: What does “in the same way” refer to?

FOUR: If Masters obeyed the Scriptures would there be any abuse in the slave/master relationship?

FIVE: What is a master supposed to keep in mind?

SIX: Both slaves and masters are supposed to treat each other in a way that shows they are conscious of God. In what ways can your behavior show you are conscious of God?

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Lesson 5

ONE: What do you see is the biggest threat to you as a Christian?

TWO: According to verses 11-12 who are our true enemies? Circle the correct answer below (See also Ephesians 1:21; 3:10; Col. 1:16)

- a. Democrats b. Republicans c. IRS d. Fallen Angels

(Also, read verse 12 again carefully and write down who is *not* our enemy)

THREE: How might this information change your perception of how you see people?

FOUR: What does it say Satan does according to verse 11? _____ Look up the following verses and write down what you learn about Satan's activity:

Matthew 4:1-10

John 8:44

Luke 22:31

Acts 5:3

2 Timothy 2:25-26

2 Cor. 2:11

FIVE: According to verse 10 what is the source of a Christian's strength? (See also 2 Cor. 12:9-10 and Col. 1:11)

SIX: Read verse 11 and write down why you should put on the armor of God (See also 2 Cor. 1:21; Php. 1:27; 1 Thess. 3:8)

SEVEN: What best expresses the point of this passage?

- a. Have as much fun as you can.
- b. Be a good neighbor
- c. Prepare for the reality of demonic opposition
- d. Join a church

EIGHT: Should you take more seriously the spiritual threat you face as a child of God?

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ONE: How many times does the word “stand” occur in verses 10-14?

TWO: What reasons are we supposed to stand according to verse 11 and 13? (see also Isa. 7:9) a) so God will make you wealthy b) stand against devil's schemes c) have a problem-free life
d) resist the day of evil e) to keep your salvation

THREE: Reading through verses 14-17 list the 6 different pieces of armor that will help us stand:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

FOUR: Read through those verses again and write down what each piece of armor represents. Write down your answer next to the corresponding answers given in #3 above.

FIVE: Read the following passages and write down the different ways Christians did NOT stand:

1 Timothy 1:19

1 Corinthians 1:10-13

1 Corinthians 3:1-3

2 Timothy 4:3-4

1 Corinthians 11:17-18

Ephesians 4:14

Ephesians 4:26-27

James 4:1-6

Galatians 1:6

SIX: Write down how the armor of God will help you to avoid falling in these ways.

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ONE: Describe your current prayer life. How often do you pray? How long are your prayers? What things do you bring up in your prayers? Do you see any answers? Do you really believe God hears you?

TWO: Read verse 18 and write down at least 5 things we learn about how we are supposed to pray:

1 _____
3 _____
5 _____

2 _____
4 _____
6 _____

THREE: How does Paul want the believers to pray for him according to verses 19-20?

FOUR: Why does Paul send Tychicus to the believers in Ephesus (v21-22)?

FIVE: Do you think they were concerned about Paul's welfare (remember 3:1; 4:1; 6:20)? If so, how might the report of his well-being encourage them (see also Php. 1:12-18 and 2 Tim. 2:8-9)?

SIX: Does the welfare of other Christians and your pastor concern you? In what ways?

SEVEN: How many times does "love" occur in verses 23-24? What do you learn about love from these verses?

EIGHT: How might you cultivate your love for the Lord Jesus Christ more? (See also Mark 12:30)