

A vibrant painting depicting Jesus Christ in the center, wearing a white robe and a colorful shawl, smiling warmly. He is surrounded by a diverse group of people, including men, women, and children of various ages and ethnicities. In the foreground, several children are dancing or playing joyfully around him, holding hands. The background shows a crowd of people, some with their hands raised in praise or prayer. The overall atmosphere is one of joy, community, and spiritual celebration.

*A Message for
Young Disciples.*

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I. Verse 1 is a Command—Obey Your Parents.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

a. Because you are in the Lord, meaning because you believe in Jesus and are saved.

b. Because it is the right thing to do.

II. Verses 2-3 Give Another Command and a Promise from God.

² “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), ³ “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”

- Obedience has to do with behavior, and honor has to do with the heart.

III. A Command for the Parents, Especially Dad v. 4.

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- Today's bulletin insert has questions to help you have a discipleship conversation with your children and grandchildren.