My Parents Are Lucky To Have Me

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INTRODUCTION

- All my stories are true. I don't embellish or make them up.
- This morning's lesson is in reply to that my parents were lucky to have me.
- This is a lesson intended and geared just for our young people. … I'm talking to those who are still at home and still under the authority of your parents.

1 You Are Important, but Not the Center of the Universe

Acts 17:26–28; Ecclesiastes 3:11; Isaiah 45:18

- The first thing I want you to know as a young person … is that you are important. But you're not the center of the universe.
- You are the product of intelligent design. That by its very nature makes you something important.
- You're made in the image of God, young people. That's what makes you special.
- God put within us some innate need, some desire to search and to know.
- You're not just life. You are life with a purpose and an existence, young people.
- God is the center of the universe. God is to be the center of your life and hopefully of your family's life.

2 Obeying Your Parents Is Serious Business

Ephesians 6:1–3; Romans 1:28–30

- Obeying your parents is serious business.
- Honor your father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise.
- If you obey your parents, you'll receive God's blessings.
- Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
- The only qualifications your parents need to meet in order for God to expect you to honor and obey them is to be your parents.
- The old law said that if you disobeyed your parents, that was a sin worthy of death.

3 You Need Parental Guidance

Proverbs 6:20–24

- You may not understand it, but you need parental guidance.
- God did that because He knew you needed that.
- My son, keep your father's command and do not forsake the law of your mother.
- That instruction, that guidance is there to keep you away from evil, to keep you away from harm, and to guide you in the proper godly channels that you need to live.
- God loved you enough to give it to you.

4 Now Is the Time to Obey the Lord

Ecclesiastes 11:9–10

- Now is the time to obey the Lord.
- Don't let anyone despise your youth, but you be an example in your godly living.
- The young people aren't just the future of the church, they're the present of the church.
- Rejoice, remove and remember. Makes it easy to remember. Three Rs.
- But remember now your creator in the days of your youth. Now is the time.
- Now that you're young and you've got that energy that can't be stifled or bottled up, use some of that in service to God.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **If you want to be a part of that family of God and obey your Father who is in heaven, then why not render obedience to that gospel this morning?**

MY NOTES