We Honor and Obey

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Chapter 14.

- The Fourth Commandment says to honor your parents. God shows us how precious the gift of life is by giving us this commandment.

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- Jesus showed his love for Mary and Joseph through his obedience. Jesus respected and obeyed them, although he was greater than they were because he was God’s son.

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- God asks our parents to love and care for us. They are to give us what we need to grow as God’s children. Families are different in many ways, but all families should have members who love and care for each other.

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- We honor our parents by loving, respecting, helping, and obeying them. We also pray for our parents.

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- We also keep the Fourth Commandment when we respect and obey those in authority, such as our teachers or crossing guards. Jesus wants us to respect and obey leaders in our country and our Church. The Holy Spirit helps us honor and obey those in authority.

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- In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus said to give respect to your government’s leaders, but God is our ultimate leader.

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- Good leaders are honest and trustworthy, and they show us respect. A good leader never asks us to do something that is wrong.

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