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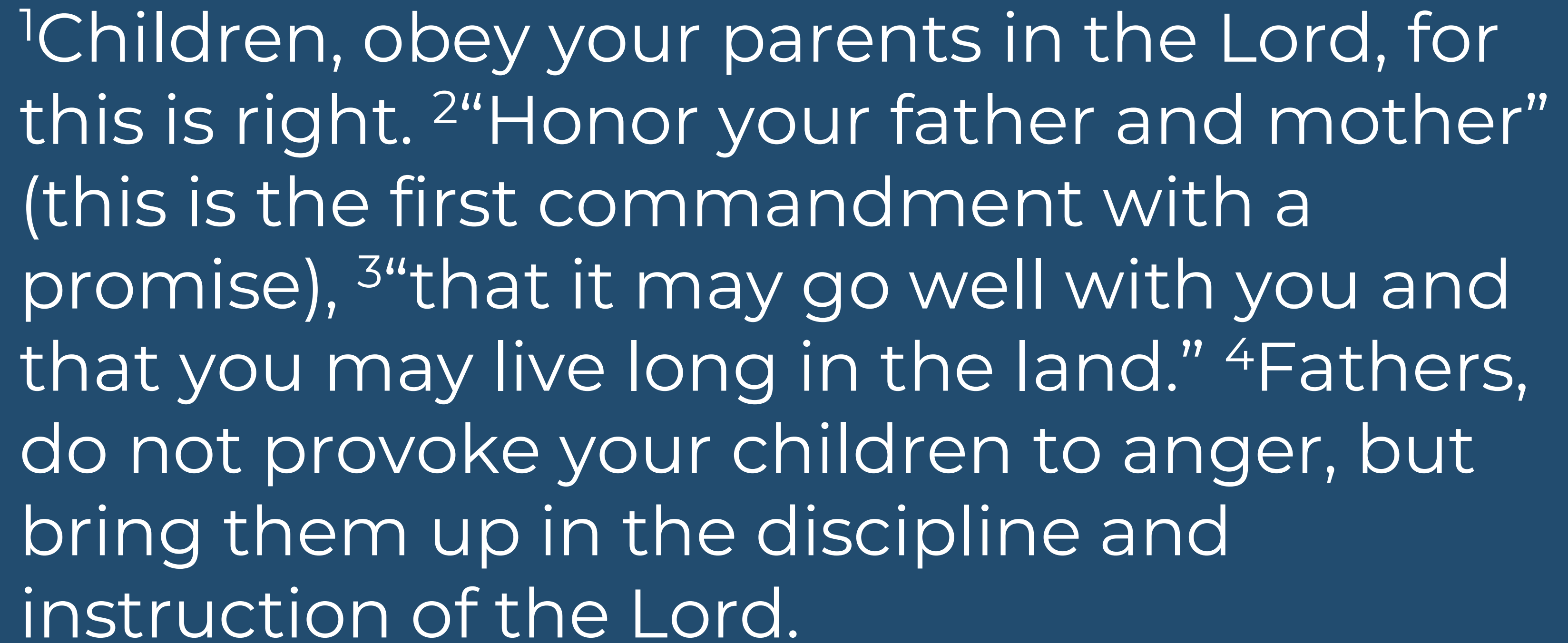


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A background image showing a collection of colorful crayons and markers scattered across the surface. The colors include various shades of orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. Some of the markers have labels, such as 'Crayola.com' and 'Crayon'.

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# Ephesians: How to live out your identity and calling in **Christ**.

1. Spiritual **Wealth** in **Christ**. 1-3
2. Spiritual **Walk** in **Christ**. 4-6:9
3. Spiritual **Warfare** in **Christ**. 6:10-24

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Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Col 3:20.



...obedience to one's parent's is comparable to obedience to God when what those parents are asking [you the] child to do agrees with the Word of God. In other words, when [you] rebel against [your] parents, [you] are actually in rebellion against God. When a child looks at his mother and father and says, "I am not going to do it," God just heard [you] say, "I don't care what you think either, God." "Rebellion doesn't just have to do with the parents; it has to do with God." Dr. Tony Evans

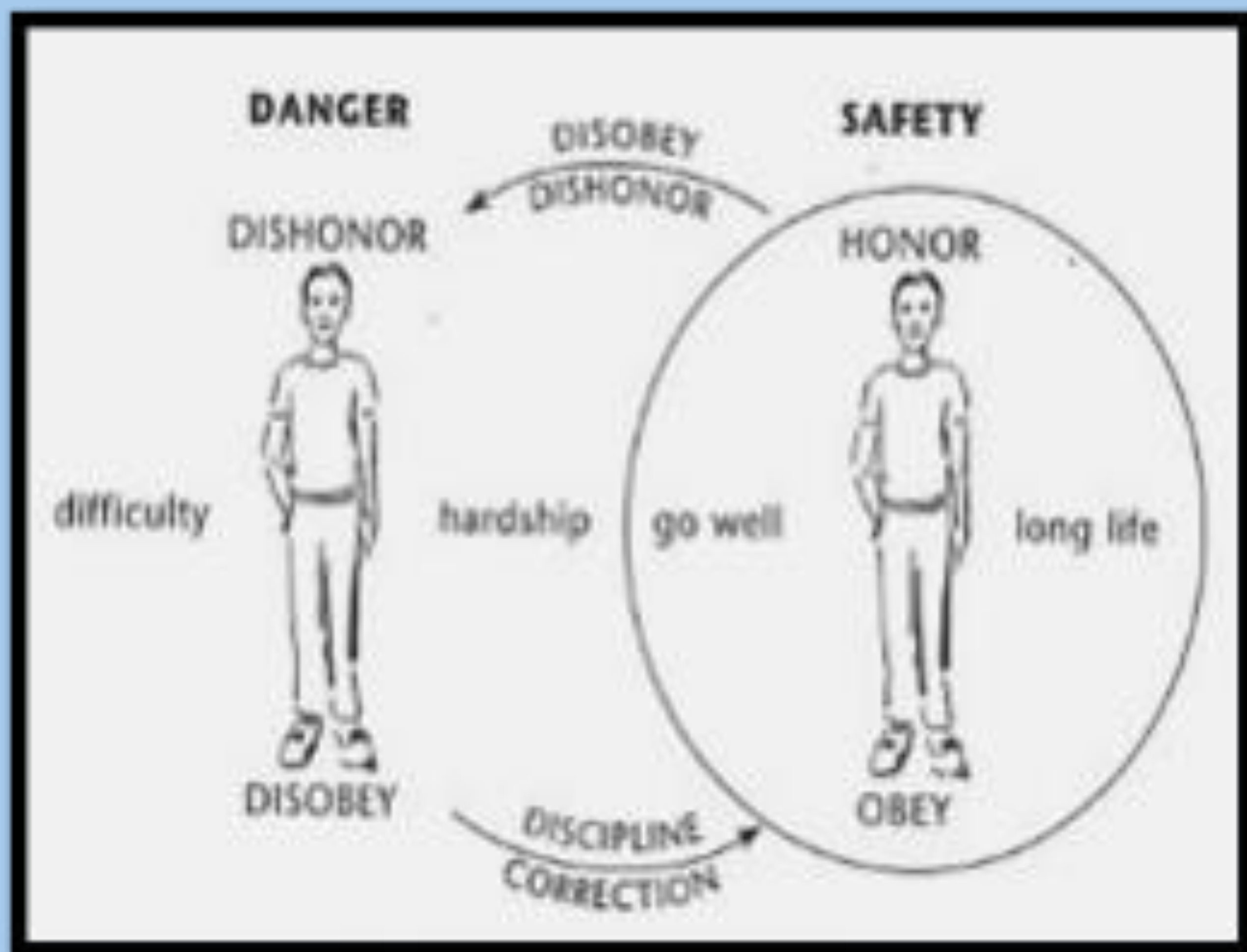
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If your parents are believers:

1. Ask them to discuss the Gospel with you.
2. Ask them how a believer depends on Jesus to live the Christian life.



Parents, walk in Christ's wisdom as you correct and teach children.

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<sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:4–5

“It is impossible for me to transfer to my child a principle I do not personally embrace, that is a love for God that permeates all my heart. It is impossible for me to convince my child of honesty, for example, if I am dishonest. Impossible for me to convey the necessity of clean lips if I habitually practice profanity. It is impossible for children to grasp the importance for care and compassion for others if parents run roughshod over others.”

Charles Swindoll

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