

信徒为人的几件事（陆）

A Few Matters Concerning the Living of the Believers (VI)

贰 家庭（续）

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二 儿女与父母

B. Children and Parents

（一）‘儿女…要在主里听从父母，这是理所当然的。要孝敬父母，使你得福，在世长寿。’弗六章一至二节，歌罗西三章二十节，箴言三十章十七节。

1. “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ‘Honor your father and mother...that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth’” (Eph. 6:1-3; see also Col. 3:20; Prov. 30:17).

儿女与父母的关系，在圣经中列为人伦中的第二伦。圣经题到夫妻该如何，是先说妻子，后说丈夫。照样，圣经题到父母与儿女该如何，是先说儿女，后说父母。儿女对父母，最要紧的就是听从、尊敬。

（孝敬原文是尊敬。）这是理所当然的，也是神所喜悦的。所以神当初吩咐人，要人尊敬父母的时候，就在这条诫命后面，加上应许。使徒说，这是第一条带应许的诫命。这应许，就是尊敬父母，能使人得福，并长寿。可见在地上的福寿二者，都能因尊敬父母而得到。但箴言告诉我们，不尊敬父母的人，必失去能看见的眼睛，就是不得看见亮光。作儿女的人，在这里当儆惕！

The second human relationship in the Bible is **between children and parents**. Just as the Bible speaks first of wives and then of husbands when referring to matters concerning husbands and wives, it speaks first of children and then of parents when referring to matters concerning parents and children. **Obeying and honoring are the most important matters of a child's behavior toward his parents**. This is fitting and pleasing to the Lord. When God first commanded man to honor his father and mother, He added a promise. The apostle says that this is the first commandment with a promise: If we honor our parents, it will be well with us, and we will live long. **The earthly blessings of prosperity and longevity are gained by honoring one's parents**. Conversely, Proverbs 30:17 says that those who do not honor their parents will lose the sight of their eyes, which means they will not receive light. Children, may this be a warning!

（二）‘先在自己家中学着行孝，报答亲恩。’提前五章四节。

2. “Let them first learn to show respect toward their own household and to render a return to their parents” (1 Tim. 5:4).

儿女第一该学习的，就是行孝，报答亲恩。父母养育之恩，是儿女不可忽视或忘记的，是儿女应当用行孝来报答的。这在神面前是可悦纳的。

Children should learn to show respect toward their own household and to render a return to their parents. The gift that parents give their children in raising them should not be despised or forgotten by the children. **The children should respect and render a return to their parents**. This is pleasing in the sight of God.

（三）‘父亲…不要惹儿女的气，只要照着主的教训和警戒，养育他们。’以弗所六章四节，歌罗西三章二十一节。

3. “Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but nurture them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord” (Eph. 6:4; see also Col. 3:21).

作父亲的人对儿女，常是失之太严，以致使儿女生气。所以圣经教训父亲对儿女，最要紧的是不要惹儿女的气。一个好父亲，定规不会叫儿女气愤冤抑，必叫儿女愉快，且必照主的教训和警戒，养育儿女。光顾儿女的愉快，而忽略主的教训，当然是不对的；但光用主的教训教导，而不理儿女的心情，也是偏枯的。又使儿女愉快，又用主的教训教养，乃是父亲对儿女的秘诀。

Typically, fathers are strict with their children to the extent that the children are provoked to anger. Therefore, the Bible teaches that the most important matter for fathers in dealing with their children is not to provoke them to anger. A good father will not make his children angry or cause them to feel wronged. He will make his children happy and nurture them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord. However, it is not right for him

to care merely for his children's happiness, neglecting the discipline and admonition of the Lord. Nevertheless, if he uses only the discipline of the Lord to teach them and ignores their feelings, he will be too dry. [The secret of being a father is for him to care for his children's happiness and to nurture them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord.](#)

(四) ‘少年妇人…爱儿女。’ 提多书二章四节，参看箴言十三章二十四节，十九章十八节，二十二章六节，十五章，二十九章十五节，十七节。

4. “Train the young women...to love their children” (Titus 2:4; see also Prov. 13:24; 19:18; 22:6, 15; 29:15, 17).

父亲对儿女，是重在不惹儿女的气，而以主的教训教养儿女；母亲对儿女，就重在爱。作母亲的人，对儿女若没有爱，就永远作不好。一个家庭若没有母爱，也永远不会好。没有母爱的家庭，就是一个最残缺的家庭。所以作母亲的姊妹—尤其是少年的一—必须学习爱儿女。

In a father's treatment of his children, the Bible emphasizes not provoking them to anger and nurturing them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord. [In a mother's treatment, however, the emphasis is on love.](#) Mothers can never be successful if they do not love their children. If a family does not have a mother's love, it can never be a good family. Without a mother's love, a family is crippled. Therefore, the young sisters who are mothers must learn to love their children.

*** 父亲与儿女的象征—父神与祂的儿女**

*** A Father and Children Being a Symbol of God the Father and His Children**

(一) ‘父…使我们得称为神的儿女；我们也真是祂的儿女。’ 约壹三章一至二节。

1. “The Father has given...that we should be called children of God; and we are” (1 John 3:1, see also v. 2).

父亲与儿女，是象征父神与祂的儿女。父神因爱我们，使我们得称为祂的儿女；我们也真是祂的儿女。祂作父亲之于我们，和我们作儿女之于祂，是父亲与儿女彼此的关系和对待所表明的。我们看见父亲与儿女之间的正当情形，就该想到父神与我们作祂儿女的彼此关系。

A father and his children symbolize God the Father and His children. God the Father loves us and gave us to be called children of God, and we are. He is a Father to us, and we are His children. This relationship is manifested by the mutual relationship and treatment of a father and his children. [When we see a proper condition between a father and his children, we should be reminded of our mutual relationship with God the Father as His children.](#)

(二) ‘你们…尚且知道拿好东西给儿女，何况你们在天上的父。’ 马太七章十一节。

2. “If you...know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in the heavens give good things” (Matt. 7:11).

主这话很清楚给我们看见，祂是把我们作父亲的人，当作父神的象征。祂说，我们作父亲的人都知道把好东西给儿女，乃是说明父神必要把好东西给我们作祂儿女的人。

The Lord's word in this verse clearly shows that fathers should be the symbol of God the Father. [Human fathers know how to give good gifts to their children just as God the Father gives good gifts to us His children.](#)

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