

Honour Thy Father and Thy Mother

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This is one of the Ten Commandments we believe was given to Moses the great Jewish Patriarch, direct from God Jehovah and perhaps one of the most misunderstood tenets. Time and time again people receive this admonition from their elders and are expected to conform without question, however we believe that there is much more in this statement than meets the eye and that further elucidation is needed so that we can understand the full requirements and implications contained within this Godly command. So there are questions we must consider.

Is a child for instance expected to follow this precept if their parents are trying to, or have incestuous relationships with them? Or sexually molesting them? Or submitting them to physical abuse, or allowing them to suffer neglect through not providing them with enough opportunities? Or by squandering the family fortunes on booze, tobacco, drugs, or gambling? Or by forcing them to live in a tobacco smoke filled environment, or to exist in a discordant household full of arguments, shouting and swearing and setting fine examples for their offspring through fornication and adultery? By telling lies in front of them, breaking promises to them or by forcing them to be unpaid household servants? All of these things happen we know, so does God expect us still to adhere to this principle. We think not. For the Bible is explicitly clear that we offer respect only to those whom live according to the Law and Testament of God, for those who are not with Him are against Him and if we are expected to follow Him then we cannot pay respect to those who follow a path of iniquity and consort with the Dark Ones for no person can serve two masters at once, so says the scriptures.

It may be said that our parents gave us birth into this Earth plane but we must ask this, just how many parents were really pleased when they know they were pregnant. No doubt once the child was born the parents then became a bit more enthusiastic, but there must have been many who were not wanted and some were probably made aware of this fact as they were growing up into adulthood. It is quite in order to thank our parents for our birth whether it was planned or accidental for at least we had the chance of coming into the Earth plane once again and are given another chance at learning some lessons that will assist in the evolution of our souls. In reality our parents, and we as parents, are only entitled to the honour and respect from one another, that we earn and not through royal command. Live according to the dictates of God's Laws and then you can be expected to be respected and honoured by your offspring, show them, Truth, Love, Justice and Honour by example then

they have some effigy on Earth to emulate and replicate. One thing is for sure the no parent is entitled to honour just because they were responsible for your physical birth, and we recall Jesus saying in the scriptures when told his mother was awaiting outside. "Who is my mother, who is my father?" he said, and so here is the question, are my parents worthy of honour and if we are parents are we deserving of this honour? Think about it, for some people will condone and make up excuses for their wayward parents solely due to the fact that they are related, but let us say this there is one Law for all and being related to the offending party does not make them exempt from judgement.