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### Obedience in the Home

There is lesson on the obedience of children to their parents in the story of the Lord Jesus at the temple, in Luke 2:48-52.

After His parents had found Him, we read: "And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them." It is this spirit of subjection to parents, we are thinking about.

Matthew Henry, who was himself a model of obedience to his father, remarked on this verse: "Though His parents were poor and mean, though His father was only His supposed father, yet He was subject unto them; though He was strong in spirit and filled with wisdom, yea, though He was the Son of God, yet He was subject to His parents; how then will they answer it, who, though foolish and weak, yet are disobedient to their parents?"

Young people sometimes feel they should not obey their parents because they may know more than their parents. Notice verse 50 of our chapter: "And they understood not the saying which He spake unto them." Christ certainly knew more than His parents. He did not let their ignorance cause Him to have a spirit of insubordination. The fact that He knew more than His parents was no cause of disobeying. Indeed, their very ignorance only gave him further opportunities to be loving and patient with them.

There is no evidence that the Lord Jesus Christ ever drew the attention of any person to the lack of general knowledge on the part of His parents.

There has never been another family where the intelligence gap has been so great as between Christ and His parents.

The example of the Lord Jesus in His attitude toward His parents should be a graphic lesson to modern youth.

The youth should humbly remember that the reason you have such remarkable advantages in learning is because your parents and other adults of their generation



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have willingly taxed themselves so as to provide much greater advantages in the field of education than were enjoyed by the previous generation.

The thoughtful youth will not scorn parents who have not had as great educational advantages as he has enjoyed. Rather, a spirit of submission and thankfulness should be his attitude.

Ephesians 6:1

The same thing goes to the wife.

For the fact that you have higher qualification and richer than your husband does not mean you will not be submissive or obey the man.

All disobedience to parents and to husbands is wrong and God-dishonouring.

No line of thinking can be taken up that will make deliberate disobedience to parents or husband right.

No child can expect the blessing of God upon his activities unless his life is subject to his parents.

The same thing to the wife who refuse to obey her husband.

The story of one of the landlord in the estate, an Alhaji the wife an Alhaja: He said when the mother in-law died the wife said she want to take aso ebi for people to buy and Alhaji said no and the woman agreed and obeyed the husband.

Husband, Daddy as the head, are you obeying God in all your activities and in your relationship with your wife and children?

This is not to say that the youth does not have a will of their own.

In Conclusion:

But your will must humble subjection as you seek the opinions and consent of your parent on any issue.

This is true of every young person who determinedly obeys his parents.

Wife should also seek advice and consent of the husband on all issues while the head of the house should take all to God in prayers and seek God's consent to know the will of God for the family.