# Companion Class

# Friendship Development:-Respect for Parents

**Memory Texts**

* Ephesians 6:1-3

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honour your father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise: that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.

* Exodus 20:12 (NLT)

Honour your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

1. What does respect mean?

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1. Why do children need to respect / honour their parents?
2. **2 Corinthians 12:14New Living Translation (NLT)-**Now I am coming to you for the third time, and I will not be a burden to you. I don’t want what you have—I want you. After all, children don’t provide for their parents. Rather, parents provide for their children.

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1. **Hebrews 12:8 New Living Translation (NLT) -**If God doesn’t discipline you as he does all of his children, it means that you are illegitimate and are not really his children at all.

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1. **Job 1:5 New Living Translation (NLT) -**When these celebrations ended—sometimes after several days—Job would purify his children. He would get up early in the morning and offer a burnt offering for each of them. For Job said to himself, “Perhaps my children have sinned and have cursed God in their hearts.” This was Job’s regular practice.

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Hosea 11:3 New Living Translation (NLT) -I myself taught Israelhow to walk, leading him along by the hand. But he doesn’t know or even care that it was I who took care of him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This honour is due because parents have sacrificed so much for their children. They are the guides, the providers and protectors of their offspring. Their love and sacrifice should command our respect; this is why God says, "It is right."

1. **Activities**
2. Role play

* Disrespectful child and parent vs Respectful child and parent

1. **List 5 rules** the parents have that you dislike, then think of it from a different perspective (view) as to the reasons why your parents would make that decision.

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| **Rule Number** | **Rules that I don’t like** | **Reason why parents make that rule** |
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List 5 reasons why you love your parents

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Discuss ways that you can show your respect to your parents.

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