



I AM GOD'S EARTH: God is creating me. I started as dust, but I'm becoming like Jesus. I rejoice in trials and hardships because Christ suffered for me, and I am a living sacrifice transformed by the truths of God.

REVIEW // WHATEVER IS PREVENTING...

ROCKS IN THE SOIL	SOLUTION
(1&2) idolatry	reject ideas of God other than his own
(3) desire for power	find strength in your integrity not your words
(4) self-reliance	one day a week, let go

TODAY WE TURN TO COMMAND 5 > VIDEO 1 (YODEL OBEY ME)

COMMAND #5

Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

Deuteronomy 5:16

HONOR OR OBEY? • VIDEO #2 (MY NAME IS DOOF) • A CHILD, CAN'T SEPARATE HONOR AND OBEY

ASIDE: HOW TO HONOR YOUR PARENTS AS AN ADULT

1. Become the **best person** you can be.
2. Give at least some of the **credit** to your parents.
3. Treat them with **respect** and dignity.

TR: HOWEVER, WE NEED TO GO DEEPER • COMMAND WITH A PROMISE • HOW WE MOTIVATE KIDS

THE "DEEPER" QUESTIONS

Why is the promise of command 5 true?

THEY ACTUALLY KNOW BETTER! • SELF-CONTROL COMMANDS / LIFE-CONTROL / REMOTE CONTROL
EVEN HOMER SIMPSON SOMETIMES KNOWS MORE THAN LISA -- VIDEO #3

Why do we need the motivation?

CONFESS: EATING UNDER TABLE, TALKING IN SCHOOL (BLUE SLIP), CLEANING MY ROOM
WHY DO I NEED MOTIVATION TO OBEY IN THE FIRST PLACE?
BENEATH THE SURFACE OF OUR LIVES LURKS REBELLION!

REBELLION DEFINED:

*"Even though I have **no proof**, I think I **know better** than the authority."*

DIG ALL THE WAY BACK

ADAM AND EVE (Genesis 3)

CARRYING THE MINDSET OF REBELLION INTO RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD IS SUICIDE

The deepest issue in a person's heart is "**Lordship**."
THE DEEPEST SIN

The number one thing God must do in our lives is
overcome rebellion.

SO HE GIVES US PARENTS • PARENTS ARE GOD'S ANSWER TO THE STUPIDITY OF REBELLION

How you respond to **earthly authority**
reveals your level of **submission** to God.

Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.

Romans 13:1-2

THE COMMANDS ABOUT EARTHLY AUTHORITY SET US UP FOR RIGHT RELATIONSHIP TO GOD!

TAKE IT HOME

- Who are (were) the authorities in my life?
- How do (did) I respond to them?
- What does that say about my heart?

"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name ..."
Matthew 6:9

Yet, O LORD, you are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Isaiah 64:8

"I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

Luke 18:17