C - Children, Obey Your Parents, Ephesians 6:1-3

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right."

C is for Children. Who is a child? Everyone is a child to someone, this means they were created by God for a mother and father.

In this verse, God gives His commandment to children that they should obey their parents in the Lord - this is the right thing to do. God set up an authority structure that we <u>all</u> must follow if we live for Him. God is the Most High Authority.

In a family structure, the father is the head - this means that everyone should obey, respect, and honor Him. Next comes the mother. God placed her under His and her husband's authority and over her children.

The children are under God, their father, and their mother. When we follow this line of authority, and keep God at the top, His blessing will be upon our lives!

The following verses go on to say that it's a promise from God that if children obey their parents in the Lord, they will live long on the Earth.

Even obeying something that seems as small as when a father asks his son to pick up his toys is obeying and honoring his father. Or when a mother asks her daughter to clear the dishes from the table, and she does - this is obeying and honoring her mother.

When a child honors and obeys their parents, they are also honoring and obeying God. This is the right thing to do.

Lyrics:

Children obey your parents in the Lord for this is right. Honor thy father and mother, this is first commandment with promise. That it may be well with thee, it may be well with thee; and thou mayest live long on the Earth. Children obey your parents in the Lord, Ephesians 6: 1 through 3. (Repeat)

Put into Practice:

Play a game of Simon Says. Children must listen and obey commands to win this game. Once a task is done that "Simon didn't say", that child is out of the game.

