Why Honor Mom?

(Proverbs 31:28-31)

Today our country celebrates mothers. While the scriptures never the declare this day to be set aside as holy, the idea behind it is certainly biblical. God wants us to honor our mothers. In fact, He wants us to do this beyond today.

I. Why should we honor mom?

- A. She gave us life.
 - 1. Every person here had a mom bring them into this world.
 - 2. Maybe that is all she did. But she at least needs to be honored for that!
- B. She gave us **time**.
 - 1. Time **taking care** of us.
 - 2. Time **teaching** us (2 Timothy 1:5; 3:14-15).
 - 3. Time supporting us.
- C. She gave us **love**.
 - 1. This was at the core of everything she did for us.
 - 2. This is why she invested so much time and energy caring for us.
- D. God tells us!
 - 1. The virtuous woman's family praised and honored her (Proverbs 31:28-31).
 - 2. God commanded the children of Israel to honor their parents (Exodus 20:12).
 - 3. God commands us to do the same (Ephesians 6:1-3).
- E. But there is someone we need to honor even before mom. That is God.

II. Why should we honor God?

- A. Because of who He is .
 - 1. Our creator (Psalm 19:1-2; Genesis 1:1, 26-27).
 - 2. Our Providers (Psalm 145:15-16).
 - 3. Our judge (Romans 14:12; 2 Corinthians 5:10).
- B. Because of what He has **done**.
 - 1. We all have a sin problem (Romans 3:23; 6:23).
 - 2. God loved us and took care of that problem through His Son (Romans 5:6-11).
- C. Because He is worthy. See 1 Timothy 1:17; 1 Corinthians 10:31.
 - 1. God is worthy of us honoring and bringing Him glory all the time.
 - 2. God is worthy of us doing this by living according to His word.

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