

## 13. Father's Responsibility - Deuteronomy

If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who does not obey his father and mother and will not listen to them when they discipline him ... bring him to the elders at the gate of his town. They shall say to the elders, "This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey us. He is a profligate and a drunkard." Then all the men of his town shall stone him to death. You must purge the evil from among you. All Israel will hear of it and be afraid. (21:18-21)

Cursed is the man who dishonors his father or his mother." Then all the people shall say, "Amen!" (27:16)

You shall have no other gods before me ... not make for yourself an idol ... anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below ... not bow down ... or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments. (5:7-10)

... obey the LORD and follow all his commands ... Then the LORD your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The LORD will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your fathers, if you obey the LORD your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. (30:8-10)

If a man takes a wife and, after lying with her, dislikes her and slanders her ... saying, "I married this woman, but when I approached her, I did not find proof of her virginity," then the girl's father and mother shall bring proof ... to the town elders at the gate. The girl's father will say to the elders, "I gave my daughter in marriage ... but he dislikes her. Now he has slandered her ... But here is the proof of my daughter's virginity." ... display the cloth before the elders ... and the elders shall ... punish him ... fine him a hundred shekels of silver and give them to the girl's father ... She shall continue to be his wife; he must not divorce her as long as he lives.

If, however, the charge is true ... she shall be brought to the door of her father's house and there the men of her town shall stone her to death. She has done a disgraceful thing in Israel by being promiscuous while still in her father's house. You must purge the evil from among you. (22:13-21)



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APPROACHED	ELDERS	PROOF
BENEATH	FOURTH	PROSPEROUS
BOOK	GATE	PUNISHING
CHARGE	GENERATIONS	PURGE
CLOTH	HEAVEN	REBELLIOUS
CROPS	LAW	SHEKELS
CURSED	LIVESTOCK	SLANDERS
DECREES	LOVE	STONE
DISGRACEFUL	PROFLIGATE	STUBBORN
DRUNKARD	PROMISCUOUS	VIRGINITY