

# Sermon Handout

## Resisting Temptation – Part 1

### Proverbs 1:8-19

- I. The Fifth Commandment** vv. 8-9 (*cf.* Rom 13:1 for the principle)
- a. Honor thy father and thy mother v. 8 *cf.* Ex 20:12; Dt 5:16  
*See* Eph 6:1-3 (quoting Dt 5:16); I Tim 5:4
  - b. Both parents mentioned in Prov 1:8-9 (6:20; 15:20; 20:20)
    - i. *Instructions* of your father
    - ii. *Law* of your mother
  - c. Holiness, fear and danger Lev 19:2-3; Prov 30:17 (*cf.* Dt 20:18-21)
  - d. Jesus himself honored his parents Lk 2:46-52; Jn 19:27
  - e. Responsibility does not end with the child's majority
    - i. Grown sons Jer 35:1-10 & 13-19
    - ii. The Timothy example II Tim 1:5-6; 3:14-15 *cf.* Prov 23:22-25
    - iii. The Joseph example Gen 46:27-29; 48:8-12 **esp.** v. 12
  - f. The ornaments of grace v. 9 *cf.* 4:9; **See** Gen 41:39, 42  
Honoring parents leads to honorable wisdom & well-being  
“it shall be well with you” Dt 5:16; Eph 6:3
- II. The Broader Applications of the Commandment** (WSC Q 64)
- a. Employees toward employers Eph 6:5-8 (context: vv. 2-3)
  - b. Believers to spiritual leaders (elders) Heb 13:17; I Pet 5:5-6
    - i. Elders have a parental duty I Pet 5:1-4; I Thess 2:7-13 *esp.* v. 11
    - ii. Same dynamic is seen in Acts 20:20, 28
  - c. Wives to husbands Eph 4:22-24, 33
- III. Parental instruction concerning temptation** vv. 10-19
- a. Enticement to reject parental wisdom for coveted gain vv. 10-14
  - b. Progression of disobedience vv. 10, 15-16
  - c. Evil ways lead to destruction vv. 17-19