

Proverbs 18:19

**“A brother offended is harder
to be won than a strong city:
and their contentions are like
the bars of a castle.”**

Proverbs 17:14

**“The beginning of strife is as
when one letteth out water:
therefore leave off contention,
before it be meddled with.”**

Family Relationships

Various Texts in Proverbs

1. Your family is God's gift to you.

Proverbs 19:14

“House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the LORD.”

Proverbs 18:22

**“Whoso findeth a wife findeth a
good thing, and obtaineth favour of
the LORD.”**

Proverbs 17:6

**“Children’s children are the crown
of old men; and the glory of
children are their fathers.”**

Psalm 127:3

**“Lo, children are an heritage of the
LORD: and the fruit of the
womb is his reward.”**

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- 2. God's purpose for families is that we would grow in Christ together.**

Proverbs 2:17

“Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.”

Proverbs 5:19

“Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.”

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Proverbs 23:22-23

“Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old. 23 Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.”

Proverbs 22:15

“Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.”

Proverbs 23:14

**“Thou shalt beat him with the rod,
and shalt deliver his soul from hell.”**

Proverbs 23:22

“Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.”

Exodus 20:12

“Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.”

- A. Show them respect in culturally recognizable ways.**
- B. Let them see aspects of themselves reproduced in you.**
- C. Don't stereotype.**
- D. Don't harbor resentment.**
- E. Grow up to be the person God wants you to be.**

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- 3. Family life provides an opportunity to cultivate Christlike mercy, grace, and unconditional love.**