

Fourth Commandment
You are to honor your father and mother.

Read Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:1-4

1. Discuss how it is that it is out of God's love He gives us the command to honor our parents.
2. After watching the video, discuss the difference between honoring and loving someone.
3. Why do you think God would command us to honor our parents, but He doesn't say "love" our parents?
4. Give some examples of concerns people might have with this Commandment. In other words, what are some ways people might say, "But..." or "What about...?"
5. After watching the video, discuss ways to respond to those concerns.
6. In the Large Catechism, Martin Luther wrote that people in all other positions of authority, such as government, police officers, etc.. derive their authority from the authority God gives parents. Talk about how that understanding affects the way you might think about people in those positions.