

# TEN COMMANDMENTS 4

## HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER

### RELATE

Share with the group a time when you did not obey your parents. What did you do? What happened as a result? How did you feel afterwards about what you had done?

### READ AND REFLECT

Read Matthew 21, then answer the following questions about verses 28-32.

- Describe the difference between the two sons in Jesus' parable in your own words.
- Which of these sons do you most often feel or act like?
- What sort of consequences come from acting like the second son? What blessings are connected to the behavior of the first son?
- One of the things that Jesus highlights between the two sons is the difference between words and deeds. Which is more important? Why? How are you doing at making both word and deed a high priority in your home?
- Who is Jesus addressing in this parable? (Hint: The answer can be found in the verses prior to this section.) How did this group receive this teaching?
- What can you do to act more like the first son in your family this week?

### RESPOND

Choose one of the following resolutions to keep until the next class:

- Do what your parents say the first time they ask you until your next class.
- Surprise your parents and say thanks for all that they do when they least expect it.
- Make dinner for your parents.
- Offer to watch your siblings so your parents can go out on a date.

