Everyday Grace – Parent & Children  
Ephesians 6:1-4; Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Grace: undeserved favor and generosity.

FULL TEXT: Ephesians 6:1-4

**Children:**

* Obey your parents
  + In the Lord
  + For this is right
  + It brings blessing

*Obstacles to Grace for Children:*

* Selfishness causes us to think only about ourselves.
* Pride causes us to think that we know better.
* Forgetfulness causes us to think that not everyone needs grace.

*Opportunities for Grace as Children:*

* Experience glimpses of what God intended parenting to be.
* Experience the undeserved love and care of God practically.
* Extend thoughtful obedience and honor to parents.

**Parents:**

* Don’t provoke your children to anger
* Bring them up in discipline
* And instruction of the Lord

FULL TEXT: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

*Obstacles to Grace for Parents:*

* Evaluating ourselves on parenting performance alone.
* Idolizing our children.
* Focusing on behavior alone, not the heart.

*Opportunity for Grace as Parents:*

* Experience connection with God as Father.
* Experience God’s favor when expectations are met or unmet.
* Extend undeserved favor and generosity tangibly to children.