

The Normal Christian Home

Ephesians 5:33-6:4

Introduction:

- Our text deals with the home and demonstrates what a normal Christian home looks like. But it is all predicated on Ephesians 5:18 - the **filling** of the Spirit.
- The main points of this message are written from a child's viewpoint. Hopefully, if your child were to describe your home, he/she would make these four statements.

1. **Daddy loves Mommy with all of his heart.** **vs. 5:33**

- She is #1 and nothing comes before her. He is **totally** in love with her and his kids know it.

2. **Mommy thinks Daddy is the greatest.** **vs. 5:33**

- "Reverence" means that she shows **respect** and admiration for him.
- Men desperately need this from their wives. Ladies, when you show **admiration** for your man, it's like electricity flowing into a 100 watt light bulb.
 - You're the electricity and he's the bulb. He **lights** up.

3. I've learned it's always best to *obey* Mom and Dad. vs. 6:1-3

- When you combine verses 1 and 2, here's what you have - kids are to obey their parents and obey with a *right* attitude.
- In the normal Christian home, kids have learned:
 1. When I obey with a right attitude, things go *well*.
 2. When I don't obey or I'm disrespectful, things *don't* go well. vs. 3

4. Daddy teaches us all how to *love* Jesus. vs. 6:4

- This verse is teaching that dads are the spiritual *leaders* of their homes. You teach your children about the Lord and how to love the Lord.
 - Men, your *example* speaks 10 times louder than your *words*.

If your home doesn't look like this, the good news is, God will *meet* you right where you are at and help you through your problems and weaknesses.