

A photograph of a lone, gnarled tree with dense green foliage growing from a rocky, moss-covered cliff. The tree's trunk is dark and twisted, leaning slightly to the right. The cliff face is rugged, with patches of green moss and small plants. In the background, a vast, hazy valley stretches out, with rolling hills and a distant town visible under a pale, overcast sky. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Journey: Special Honor for Sacred People

Ephesians 6:1-3

Children, obey your parents in the Lord for this is right. ² “Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— ³“so THAT it may go well with you and that you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

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 - *It's modeled.*
 - *It's experienced.*
 - *It's explained.*
 - *It's evolving.*

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Director

Coach

Mentor

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- Take it seriously!

Every Parent Is a Combination of Brokenness and Beauty

- **God gets this dilemma.**
- **Own your brokenness.**
- **Sons and daughters, all out what you've experienced with clarity, humility, and empathy.**
- **Parents, approach your children with empathy.**