

# THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

## TABLE OF DUTIES (PART 1)

### DEVOTION

#### TO FATHERS AND TO CHILDREN

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4)

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” (Ephesians 6:1–3)

#### FOR SHARING

1. Share, as time permits, a joy you have experienced as a parent or child.
2. Where do you find your greatest challenge in bringing up your children “in the discipline and instruction of the Lord”?
3. In what ways do parents sometimes “provoke” their children?
4. Share about a significant adult Christian role model in your life.
5. What changes would you like to make to facilitate spiritual growth in your family?

### PRAYER

Heavenly Father, help us to remember Your investment in our lives and keep us mindful of Your presence in our families. In Jesus’ name. Amen.