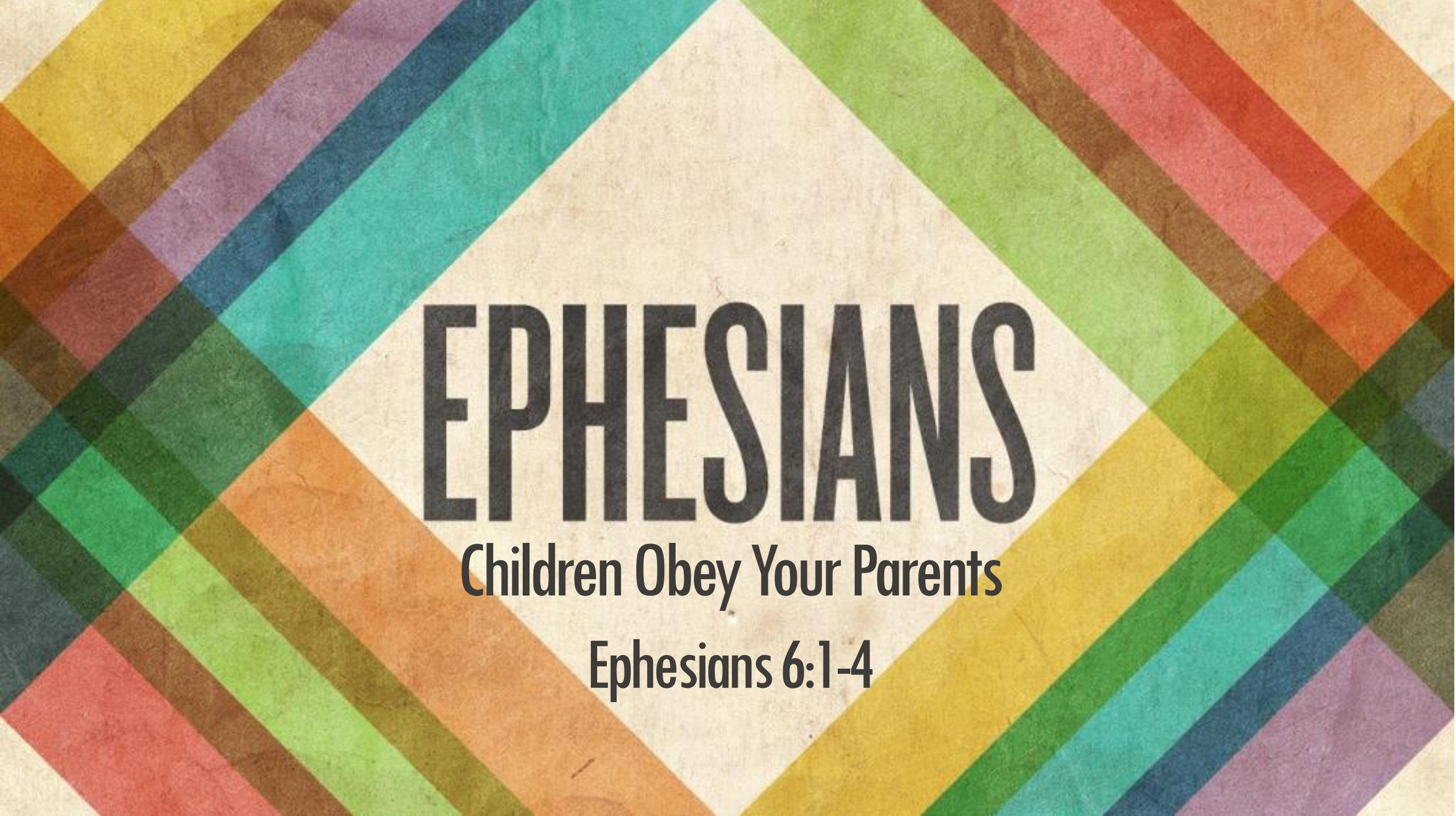




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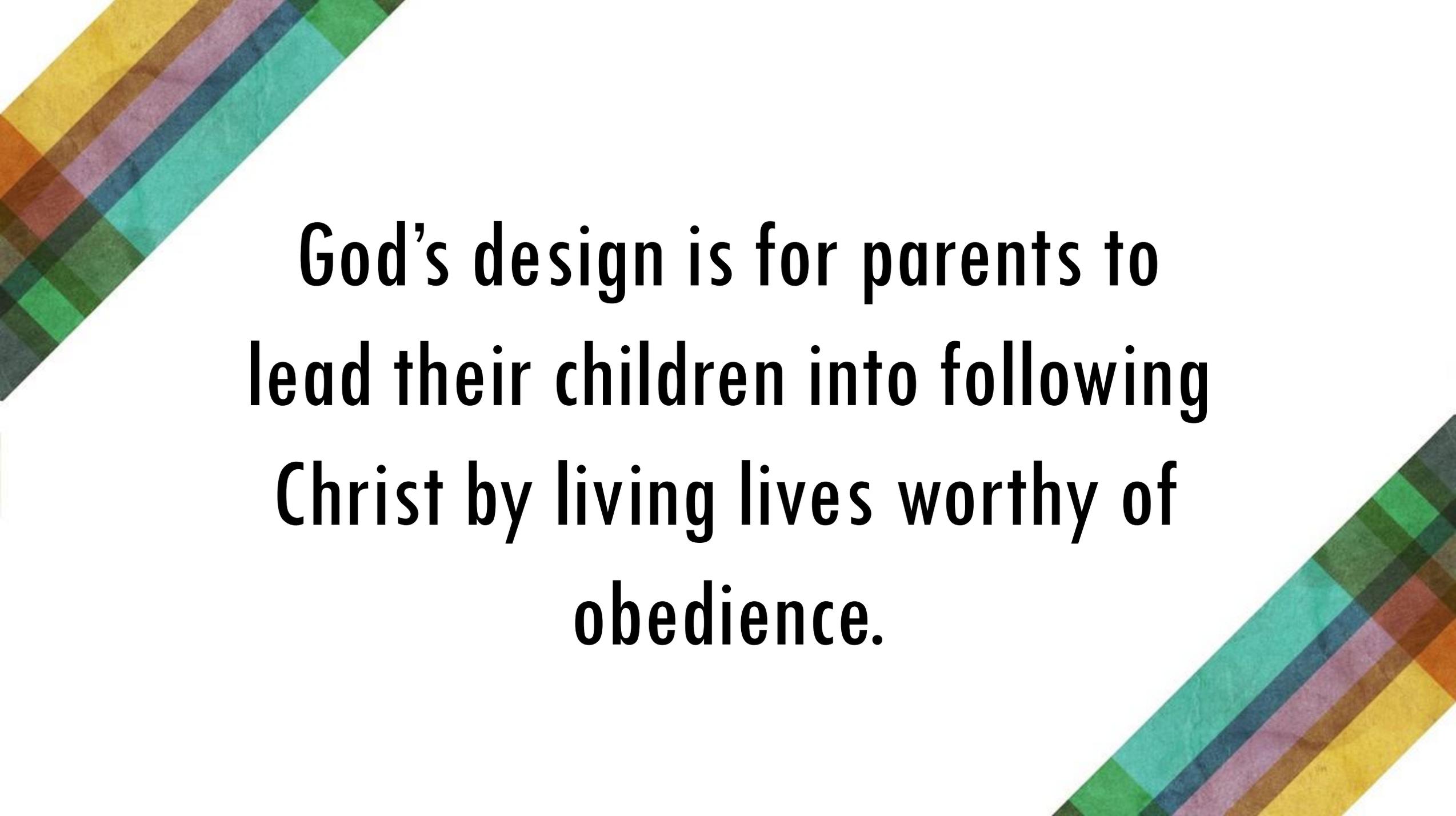
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Ephesians 6:1-4



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- Your parents are usually wiser than you are
 - *My son, hear the instruction of your father, and do not forsake the law of your mother; for they will be a graceful ornament on your head, and chains about your neck.*
Proverbs 1:8-9
- God takes obedience to parents seriously
 - *If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and who, when they have chastened him, will not heed them... Then all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones; so you shall put away the evil from among you, and all Israel shall hear and fear.*
Deuteronomy 21:18,21



The Benefits of Obedience

- It makes God happy
 - *Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.*
Colossians 3:20
- Obedience in the Lord leads to wisdom
 - *Hear, my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of your life will be many. I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths.*
Proverbs 4:10-11
 - *When wisdom enters your heart, and knowledge is pleasant to your soul, discretion will preserve you; understanding will keep you, to deliver you from the way of evil, from the man who speaks perverse things, from those who leave the paths of uprightness to walk in the ways of darkness*
Proverbs 2:10-13



Parents, Be Worthy of Obedience

- Like it or not, you are making disciples of something
 - *Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.*

Proverbs 22:6

- A parent's primary job is a disciple maker
 - *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.*

Deuteronomy 6:5-7



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