

Introduction

1. A home is established when God joins together one man and one woman for one lifetime ([Mt. 19:4-6](#))
 - a. When husband and wife come together in the marriage bed, children enter into the home ([Heb. 13:4](#); [Gen. 1:28](#))
 - b. The husband, now also a father, is to bring his children up in the training and admonition of the Lord ([Eph. 6:4](#))
 - c. The wife, now also a mother, assists the father in bringing up the children ([Pr. 1:8](#); [2 Tim. 1:5, 3:14-15](#))
 - d. If parents live long enough, their children may start their own home and be blessed with their own children ([Gen. 5:3-7](#))
 - e. Now the husband and father become a grandfather and the wife and mother become a grandmother
2. The Bible provides us with instruction as it relates to grandparents
 - a. Truly, God has not left us without instruction on anything that we need ([2 Pt. 1:3](#))
 - b. When grandparents fear the LORD, the home is benefitted
 - c. An examination of grandparents and their position in the home is in order

I. A Position of Honor

1. The silver-haired head is a crown of glory ([Pr. 16:31](#))
2. Grandchildren are the crown of old men ([Pr. 17:6](#))
3. There is splendor [beauty; honor] in the gray head ([Pr. 20:29](#))
4. Honor the presence of an old person ([Lev. 19:32](#))

II. A Position of Influence

1. Grandparents must influence their grandchildren for good ([Ps. 71:17-18](#))
 - a. Good fruit can still be borne in old age ([Ps. 92:12-15](#))
 - b. Consider Job ([Job 42:16-17](#))
 - c. Consider Timothy ([2 Tim. 1:5, 3:14-15](#); [Php. 2:19-22](#))
2. Grandparents must not influence their grandchildren for evil
 - a. Unfaithfulness does not take long ([Jdg. 2:7-10](#))

- b. The idolatrous Israelites influenced their grandchildren wickedly ([2 Kgs. 17:24-41](#))

III. A Position of Responsibility

1. A grandparent must be a responsible steward ([Pr. 13:22](#))
 - a. An inheritance is more than just money and possessions
 - b. What greater gift can we leave our grandchildren with than exposing them to the gospel of Jesus Christ?
2. Grandparents are in an excellent position to teach which makes them responsible to do so ([Dt. 4:1-10](#))
 - a. This protects against stubbornness and rebellion for future generations ([Ps. 78:1-8](#))
 - b. The older must teach the younger ([Tt. 2:1-8](#))

Conclusion

1. Growing older and being blessed with grandchildren is a great position to be in
 - a. It is a position of honor
 - b. It is a position of influence
 - c. It is a position of responsibility
2. A grandparent who fears the LORD will aid their grandchildren in getting to Heaven