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2. What might honoring father and mother look like for a young child? Teenager? Adult child? Talk about the transition we make as we and our parents age.
3. Does this commandment apply to parents who are no longer living? How might we honor father and mother in these circumstances?
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