

Favouring some children over others

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: Is it permissible for the father to favour some of his children over others due to their obedience and fine treatment? I.e. if one was more obedient than the other, and the father said: I will give the obedient child more than the disobedient child; as an encouragement for the obedient one, and as a motivation for the disobedient child to become obedient and show good treatment.

Shaykh al-Uthaymeen (*May Allaah have mercy on him*): This is not permissible, because the reward of obedience (to ones parents) is greater than money that you give him, rather the reward for obedience and fine treatment is with Allaah – the Most High - .