labourer, covered with warm thatch; the mother is spinning at the door; the young children sport before her on the grass; the elder ones learn to labour, and are obedient; the father worketh to provide them food; either he tilleth the ground, or he gathereth in the corn, or shaketh his ripe apples from the tree; his children run to meet him when he cometh home; and his wife prepareth the wholesome meal.

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The father, the mother, and the children, make a family; the father is the master thereof. If the family be numerous, and the grounds large, there are servants to help to do the work: all these dwell in one house, they sleep beneath one roof; they eat the same bread; they kneel down together and praise God every night