

Honor And Respect, Part 2

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Introduction:

First lesson we defined "honor" and "respect". Spoke about HRDD (Honor & Respect Deficit Disorder). Honor and respect involves the way we think and act. They are independent of each other but we must have both. Noticed things God does not want us to honor and respect such as: humanism, fame, money, power, outward appearance, sex, athletic ability. We are to respect: God, His Son, The Holy Spirit and other people. We are all made in the image of God and have a soul.

In this lesson we want to study, What ROLES does God want us to honor and respect?

I) Parents, *Exodus 20.12; Leviticus 19.3a, Micah 7.6; Ephesians 6.1-3*

A) Why?

1. It is right, commanded by God, *Ephesians 6.1*
2. It blesses children temporally and eternally, *Ephesians 6.2-3*
3. Dishonor and disrespect curses children temporally and eternally, *Deut. 27.16* Don't punish yourself by having a poor relationship with your parents.
4. It gives parents joy, *Proverbs 15.20*
5. Parents honor and respect their children (you have received honor and respect from your

parents), *2 Corinthians 12.14b,15a*. You received food, shelter, clothing, etc.

B) When are you to honor your parents?

1. While you are under their authority, *Genesis 2.24; Matthew 19.4-5*.
2. When are we no longer under our parents' authority?
 - a. When we are no longer dependent on our parents.
 - b. Some children want the best of both worlds, i.e. the benefits of dependence and independence without the responsibilities.
 - c. Wise parents gradually give their children more and more freedom, but until the apron strings are completely cut, we still have to answer to our parents.
 - d. If we don't like this, we must become independent. Get your own mailbox!

II) Married Couples are to receive honor and respect from each other, *Ephesians 5.33*

A) Why?

1. The husband is the head of the wife, *Ephesians 5.22-24*
2. To be an effective helper to your husband, *1 Peter 3.1-2*. Respect is to husbands what romance is to wives.

B) Wives, *1 Peter 3.7* Why?

1. A husband is to value his wife, *1 Peter 3.7*. She is dear, precious, a fellow heir.
2. Husband and wife are like a lock and key. One by itself is not much good. Each is dependent on each other, yet they are not identical, not interchangeable. Neither is superior to the other, both are equally important.
3. A good wife is of great value, *Proverbs 31.10*

III) Others We Are To Honor and Value

A) Brethren, *Romans 12.10*

1. Faithful brethren give us good counsel, *1 Samuel 9.6*
2. Faithful brethren do honorable and respectful things, *Phil. 2.29-30*
3. All brethren are part of the same body, we are dependent on each other, *1 Cor. 12.12-26*

B) Elders, *1 Timothy 5.17*

1. They have a very important work, watching out for souls.
2. Those who do it well should be especially honored.

C) Government officials, *Romans 13.7*

1. Their authority comes from God.

2. They have an important responsibility, *Romans 13.3-4*

D) Masters, *1 Timothy 6.1-2*

1. How does this apply to us? In the employee/employer relationship.
2. Disrespectful behavior gives those who oppose the Gospel a reason to speak poorly of Christians.
3. Honor pays off, *Proverbs 27.18*

E) Age, *Leviticus 19.32a, 1 Kings 2.19*

1. We benefit from their wisdom.
2. The aged become fragile, dependent on others.
3. Example: Japan view of older people.

IV) Does God Expect Us To Honor & Respect These Roles Regardless Of Who Fills Them? *1 Peter 2.18*

- A) Paul talking to the High Priest showed respect to the position, *Acts 23.1-5*
- B) David's conduct toward King Saul and those who dared to harm him.
- C) We cannot take the place of God, *Jude 8-9*

V) What Things Does God Want Us To Honor & Respect?

- A) The word of God, *Malachi 2.5-9*
- B) Wisdom and instruction, *Proverbs 1.7; 3.13-18, 35*. Experience is a hard teacher, test first and lesson afterward.

- C) Excellence, those who do things well, don't just get by, **1 Timothy 5.17a**
- D) Discipline, **Proverbs 9.7; 13.18**
- E) Authority, **2 Peter 2.10**
 - 1. In any organization, someone has to be in charge. Everyone else must follow.
 - 2. Success is just as much a function of good "followership" as it is good leadership.
- F) Obedience, **2 Samuel 6.6-7**
- G) Consistency, **Romans 12.17b**, don't have a double standard.
- H) Perception, **2 Corinthians 8.21**. How people see you matters!
- I) Worship, **1 Corinthians 11.22** (late comers, early leavers, manner of dress)
- J) Marriage, **Hebrews 13.4**
- K) Our physical bodies, **1 Thess. 4.3-8**

Conclusion:

Do we honor and respect what God wants us to honor and respect? Do the beings God wants us to honor and respect feel honored and respected?