

# Honor And Respect - Conclusion

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## Introduction:

In this series of lessons we have defined "honor and respect" spoke of its role in our lives. Why we are to show others honor and respect and how we can cultivate the attitude and action of honor and respect. This lesson we want to get down to brass tacks and study about how we show honor and respect.

### I) The Prodigal Son and His Father, *Luke 15.11-24*

#### A) The son.

1. Came to appreciate -- value what his father offered in his house.
2. Spoke directly to his father.
3. Admitted his faults.

#### B) The Father.

1. Acknowledged his son's return, ran out to meet him.
2. Rejoiced to see his son returning home.
3. Celebrated his son's return with his best (a robe, a ring, kill the fatted calf)

### II) How Do We Show Honor & Respect To Others

- #### A) By acknowledging their presence showing an attitude of value.

1. Sometimes we might be in awe of someone and remain silent but there comes a time when you have to speak to them. (Bill Gates, Taylor Swift, Wildcat or Cardinal basketball player, etc)
2. Bible passages: honoring the old man, *Lev. 19.32*; Solomon's mother *1 Kings 2.19*. one's wife *1 Peter 3.7*. "Attentiveness is sadly lacking in most men, and especially in American men. When they come home from work, they take their wives for granted. They are part of the scenery, like the furniture, the walls, the draperies. They are background. The man sinks into the sofa and reads the paper or watches the TV. The woman feels no more significant to him than the kitchen sink. If she talks to him, he mutters a few words and continues to read the newspaper or goes to the basement or the garage to work on his hobby. His wife begins to think, 'He doesn't even know I am alive.' (Andelin)

**B) Giving praise.**

1. Some people are too self-centered to praise others but those we value we praise.
2. The husband praised his virtuous wife, *Proverbs 31.29*
3. Often shown by tokens of affection such as flowers, or special dinner, or some other thing that one knows the other person really likes.

**C) By communicating with them.**

1. How and how often we talk to others shows our respect and valuation of others.
2. Example of how Israel showed disrespect toward God, *2 Chronicles 36.15-16*
3. Not being argumentative, correcting with love, *1 Timothy 5.1*
4. Saying yes, ma'am / no ma'am or yes, sir / no, sir teaches us to respect the person. Think of the military and how one addresses one of higher rank.

**D) Doing what the other person asks you to do, *Matthew 7.21***

1. In the prodigal son, the other son showed disrespect toward his father by refusing to rejoice and enter the house.
2. We cannot disrespect God and break His law but otherwise we show respect by listening and obeying others.

**E) Giving our best.**

1. The father had the fatted calf killed, a ring, and a robe. He withheld nothing of honor.
2. Servants were to give their best to their masters, *1 Timothy 6.1*. Spouses are to give their best to each other, parents give their best to their children, etc.

**F) By honoring and respecting those they honor and respect, *Luke 20.9-16***

1. Perhaps their children, their servants, their parents, etc.

**G) By admitting our faults, *James 5.16***

**III) How Do We Show Honor & Respect Toward God?**

**A) By acknowledging His presence and treating Him with honor, *Psalms 100***

1. We are His creation and He is our creator.
2. Would we show more honor to the President of the United States or God? *Mal. 1.6*.

**B) By Praising Him for all the good things He provides us with every day and the spiritual blessings we have, *James 1.17***

**C) By communicating with Him in prayer, *1 Thess. 5.17***

**D) Doing what He commands us to do, *1 John 5.2***

1. He commands us to repent and be baptized for the remission of our sins, *Acts 2.38*
2. He commands us to worship, remember Jesus' death by observing the Lord's Supper, to sing with the heart, to give as we prosper, etc.

**E) By giving God our best, *Malachi 1.7-8*; our first fruits.**

**F) By honoring and respecting those who God honors and respects.**

1. His Son, *Matthew 17.5*
2. Those sent in the name of the Son, *Luke 10.16*
3. We are to confess Jesus as the Son of God.

**G) By admitting our faults, *Acts 8.22; I John 1.9-10***

**Conclusion:**

A lot of what I listed would be included in the action of love. Love and respect/honor goes together. That which we love we respect. Do you love God? Are you doing the things God expects from you?