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Word honor is spelt in the Greek "Timi"

Means to place a high value on something, to esteem, to favorably regard and respect.

Honor is a seed that you sow that produces a harvest of well being and prosperity. How do you treat the things you honor? You take good care of them.

DISHONOR

DISHONOR means to be treated as common.

When I dishonor someone I treat them as common.

What you honor you attract.

Have you ever noticed that people that don't honor certain things don't have them?

If you don't honor leaders, you won't be a leader.

If you dishonor wealth and resources, you won't have it..

It's called the law of attraction.

The devil knows that if he can get you to dishonor God and others, you come out from the protection of the Lord. Then he can get you to be separated from the promise that is within us.

You are a man or woman of Honor.

You don't judge, criticize, talk down to people, gossip, challenge your leaders, undermining their authority

Authority is God's way of keeping His people safe. Because we heed instruction DISHONOR CAN BE COSTLY..

Look at Absalom and David

Judas and Jesus

THE PRODIGAL SON

The prodigal son did a very dishonorable thing and lost everything. That's like saying father I wish you would die so that I can have what's coming to me. Because he didn't honor his dad and his inheritance, he lost everything.

I have seen people in my pastors church back in SA dishonor him. I've sadly seen some people here dishonor us and it doest go well for them.

If you sow dishonor you will reap it.

KEEP YOUR MOUTH OFF OUR PASTORS AND LEADERS.

Why are things not going my way? Make sure you don't lose your temper. Come back to honor.

One of the foundational principles of the kingdom of God is honor.

Matthew 13:53 Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these parables, that He departed from there. **54** When He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that <u>they were astonished</u> and said, "Where did this *Man* get this wisdom and *these* mighty works?

- STOP THERE. THEY SHOULD HAVE PRAISED GOD FOR THE MIRACLES THAT WERE TAKING PLACE, THE CRIPPLES WERE WALKING, THEY BLIND WERE SEEING AND THE OPPRESSED WERE BEING SET FREE.

People were hearing great reputation straight from the lips of the Messiah. Yet their intellect got in the way. The familiarity of being around Jesus and his family got in their way. Listen to what they say.

55 Is this not the carpenter's son? (**THAT WAS A BELITTLING CUT TO THE HEART REMARK INSULTING HIS DADS OCCUPATION**) Is not His mother called Mary?

And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas? **56** And His sisters, are they not all with us? (**THEY FOUND IT HARD TO ACCEPT THAT ANYTHING GREAT COULD COME FROM THIS FAMILY**) Where then did this *Man* get all these things?"(**THEY WERE IN FULL DISBELIEF AND DIS-HONOR-THEY WERE SAYING WE KNOW THESE PEOPLE AND IT'S CLEAR THAT HE DID NOT GET THIS POWER OR WISDOM FROM THEM**) **57** So they were offended (resentful and annoyed, insulted) at Him.

But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor (MEANS NOT PROPERLY RECOGNISED) except in his own country and in his own house." 58 Now He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief. (THE LACK OF HONOR STOPPED THE FLOW OF POWER. THEY WERE TO FAMILIAR WITH JESUS TO RECEIVE FROM JESUS)

Luke 4:16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And <u>as His custom was</u>, (SO THIS IS SOMETHING HE DID OFTEN. WE KNOW THAT AS A YOUNG BOY WHEN HE WENT TO THE TEMPLE HE CONVERSED WITH THE TOP RABBIS. HE WAS A NATIONAL KNOW SCHOOLR IN ISRAEL) He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,
Because He has anointed Me
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He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,
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20 Then He closed the book, and gave *it* back to the attendant and <u>sat down</u>. And the <u>eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him</u>. 21 And He began to say to them, "<u>Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing</u>." 22 So all bore <u>witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth</u>. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?"(AMAZING HOW SATAN CAME IMMEDIATELY. ONE SECOND THEY SAYING HOW BRILLIANT HE IS, THE NEXT THE

CONSIDERING HIS FAMILY BACKGROUND. I'm so glad God doesn't consider our past to determine our future and neither should we)

28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were <u>filled</u> with wrath, (THEY TOOK IT UP A NOTCH, THEY WERE NOW MAD AND INDIGNANT) 29 and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; (KNOW IT GREW TO VIOLENCE) and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down (NOW MURDER WAS IN THEIR HEARTS) over the cliff. 30 Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way. (DIVINE PROTECTION)

THE SAME ACCOUNT

Mark 6:5 Now He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed *them*. 6 And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching.

HERE IS THE LESSONS LEARN-THEY WERE FAMILIAR WITH JESUS

Isaiah 29:13 Therefore the Lord said:

"Inasmuch as these people draw near with their mouths And honor Me with their lips, But have removed their hearts far from Me,

- Honor is not just what we do with our mouth or actions, it mnh with the heart. They treated Jesus as common.

We often treat our own time with God as common.

- We rush our time with God in prayer, we don't consult Him on many occasions and wonder why things go wrong

When we honor God we are deciding to treat Him as not common

They didn't accept that someone they personally knew could possibly be the Messiah.

They were familiar with Jesus so they dishonored His anointing. Make sure that you don't do the same with your colleagues, your boss, fellow believers, leaders in the church or pastors in the church.

HONOR THE LORD

Don't let other things crowd Him out.

- -with your time, talents
- -with your finances

John 12:26 If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him *My* Father will honor.

1 Samuel 2:30 Therefore the LORD God of Israel says: 'I said indeed *that* your house and the house of your father would walk before Me forever.' But now the LORD says: 'Far be it from Me; for those who honor Me I will honor (**THERE IS A REWARD ATTACHED**), and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed. (**CURSE**)

Matthew 15:8 'These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.
9 And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' "

HONOR YOURSELF

Mark 12:30 And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This *is* the first commandment. **31** And the second, like *it*, *is* this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

I want to encourage you to love yourself and take pride in yourself. If you value yourself, you will value others. See the way God sees you .

Psalm 139:14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works,

Be proud that you are a child of the king. Act with dignity and grace. Be kind and generous, be strong and courageous, make sure to have a tidy room and house and car, be organized, be diligent, honor yourself

Leave a legacy behind.

What great contribution did you make to the kingdom?

HONOR YOUR LEADERS

- **1 Timothy 5:17** Let the elders <u>who rule well</u> be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine.
- **1 Thessalonians 5:12** And we urge you, brethren, to recognize (**TAKE NOTE OF**) those who labor among you (**TEACH YOU, PASTOR YOU, MENTOR YOU**), and are over you in the Lord (**CONNECT GROUP LEADERS, PASTORS, ELDERS**) and admonish you, **13** and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves.

Last week we studied this incident with Jesus

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THEY CLEARLY DIDN'T HONOR JESUS AS THEIR LEADER. THEY REJECTED THE MESSIAH AND HIS WORDS.

Submission doesn't mean agreement.

My board members-my one board member said I have to believe God speaks to Jarrod.

Honor carries a frequency that heaven recognizes.

When I honor, it gets God's attention. There are rewards attached to honor.

If I honor my spiritual leaders, I honor the Lord and there is a spiritual and natural reward attached to it with my name on it.

God wants us to honor our spiritual authority. God puts a high value on it.

We cannot let the world's culture dictate the terms of our existence.

If the bible says honor, we honor.

People nowadays act how they feel. I don't feel like going to church today, I'm not gonna go. I don't want to be in a connect group, I don't feel like ready my bible, I don't feel like reaching out-IT'S A QUESTION OF HONOR

Psalm 105:15 "Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm."

DAVID'S RELATIONSHIP WITH SAUL

David had a great relationship with Saul until the people started singing Sual's has killed thousands, David 10s of thousands

1 Samuel 26:7 So David and Abishai came to the people by night; and there Saul lay sleeping within the camp, with his spear stuck in the ground by his head. And Abner and the people lay all around him. **8** Then Abishai said to David, "God has delivered your enemy into your hand this day. Now therefore, please, let me strike him at once with the spear, right to the earth; and I will not *have to strike* him a second time!"

9 But David said to Abishai, "<u>Do not destroy him</u>; for who can stretch out his hand against the Lord's anointed, and be guiltless?" (David's attitude and revelation is amazing. He had the revelation that Saul was God's choice and that although Saul was backslidden and trying to kill him, it wasn't his responsibility to get rid of Saul, it was the Lords. Listen to what he shares.)

10 David said furthermore, "As the LORD lives, the LORD shall strike him, or his day shall come to die, or he shall go out to battle and perish. **11** The LORD forbid (GOD DOESN'T WANT ME TO DO THIS) that I should stretch out my hand against the LORD's anointed.

HONOR PEOPLE

Remember the word honor means to treat as valuable.

1 Peter 2:17 Honor (**VALUE**) all *people*. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

Ask the Lord to help you see people through His eyes. This will help you to be more kind and loving, more patient and not as surprised at their actions, especially when they act contrary to His Word. When I started my evangelism ministry in the late 1990's my prayer was 'LORD LET ME SEE PEOPLE THROUGH YOUR EYES, NOT MY EYES.

Matthew 25:40 And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.'

Proverbs 14:31 He who oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker, But he who honors Him (**HOLDS IN HIGH VALUE**) has mercy on the needy.

- Ways we can oppress the poor is by not paying them what you can afford.

HOW DO WE HONOR PEOPLE?

- 1. Value people as God values them
 - Always be kind, greet people...treat everyone the same
- 2. You honor people by reaching out to them.

HONOR HIS WORD

You honor the Word by reading it and following it in everything I do

Centurion's servant healed

Luke 7:1 Now when He concluded all His sayings in the hearing of the people, He entered Capernaum. **2** And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear to him, was sick and ready to die. **3** So when he heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to Him, pleading with Him to come and heal his servant. **4** And when they came to Jesus, they begged Him earnestly, saying that the one for whom He should do this was deserving, **5**-"for he loves our nation, and has built us a synagogue."

6 Then Jesus went with them. And when He was already not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to Him, saying to Him, "Lord, do not trouble Yourself, for I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof. 7 Therefore I did not even think myself worthy to come to You. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. 8 For I also am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

9 When Jesus heard these things, He marveled at him, and turned around and said to the crowd that followed Him, "I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" **10** And those who were sent, returning to the house, found the servant well who had been sick.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

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How do we honor the Word

- 1. Reading it
- 2. Studying it
- 3. Meditating on it
- 4. Consulting it
- 5. Following it