



How to Give Honor

📖 Proverbs 22:4

- There are few things more painful than seeing someone or something that deserves to be **respected** and **valued** receive dishonor.
- Most of the Proverbs about honor are about how to live lives that lead to honor **for us** 📖 Proverbs 21:21. Scripture command us to give honor to **God**, 📖 Proverbs 3:9; 1 Timothy 1:17. We are to give honor to certain **other people** 📖 Exodus 20:12.



What The Bible Does NOT Say About Honoring Moms...

- The Bible doesn't say honor your mother if she **got it all right**.
- The Bible doesn't say honor your mother if she was a well-adjusted, skilled **nurturer**, who was able to bond fully without creating codependence, whose boundaries were intact yet flexible.
- The Bible does not say you have to **enjoy** your mom.
- The Bible does not say **live** for your parent's **approval**.



Three Ways To Give Honor.

- Honoring begins with **knowing her**.

- ➔ One of the things you do to dishonor someone is to **ignore** them.
- ➔ Acknowledge the sheer **effort** involved.
- ➔ Take the **time** to get to know your mom.

■ Honoring means **building her up**.

- ➔ To dishonor someone is to **tear down**, to devalue. To honor means to build up, to speak words of **value**, to **magnify**.
- ➔ The word for honor has the idea of something being **weighty**. 📖 Proverbs 31:25

■ Honoring means you grow a deep sense of **gratitude**.

- ➔ You can dishonor something or someone by taking them for **granted**.
- ➔ When it works right a child will grow up and make his or her life an act of gratitude—and become all that **God wants him or her to be**.

My Next Right Step

- I am taking a step of faith and trusting Christ as my Savior.
- I will honor my mother or her memory today.
- I will be wise and make a list of people in my life that I should honor and know them, build them up and express gratitude.
- I will memorize **Proverbs 22:4**.

Next Sunday: "31: Guard Your Mouth"



Please bring this sheet with you to your Home Team this week!

Warm Up

- Share an example of a time when you have been honored for something.

Opening Prayer

"Father, we honor You for Your wisdom, holiness and love. Help us to give honor to whom it is due."

Discussion Questions

Be sure to read the following verses in different translations if the meaning is not clear.

Read Proverbs 3:9-10; 1 Timothy 1:17

⇒ What do these verses tell us about God and honor and how He should be honored?

⇒ What are some ways that you honor God?

Read 1 Timothy 5:3; Romans 12:10, 13:7; Ephesians 6:2; 1 Timothy 5:17; 1 Peter 2:17

⇒ Who do these verses say that we should give honor to?

⇒ What would giving honor look like to each of the kinds of people mentioned in these verses?

Read Matthew 15:8

⇒What danger does Jesus talk about here?

⇒How can we fall into this same trap? How can we avoid it?

Read Proverbs 26:1, 8

⇒What do these verses tell us about fools and wisdom?

⇒Why do you think that this is important?

Read Proverbs 3:16; 4:8; 15:33; 21:21; 22:4; 29:3

⇒What do these Proverbs tell us about how we can live lives that will lead to honor?

⇒After studying about what the Bible says about honor, who is there in your life that you need to give honor? How will you do it?

"He has honor if he holds himself to an ideal of conduct though it is inconvenient, unprofitable, or dangerous to do so."

--Walter Lipman

"Nobody can acquire honor by doing what is wrong"

--Thomas Jefferson



Praise & Prayer List



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Small Group Questions

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This Sunday
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