

FAMILY MATTERS #5 - HONOR OF THE FAMILY

PROVERBS 15:33, 18:12, 29:23

Honor means "To revere; to respect; to treat with deference and submission." In the family, we must honor one another.

I. Honoring Your God

- A. He is the King and deserves our best 1 TIM. 1:17
 - 1. He is the Savior, the Lamb of God (REV. 4:11)
 - 2. He receives repeated praise (REV. 5:12)
- B. He commands us to FOLLOW AFTER (an important phrase)
 - 1. Follow after Him (LUKE 9:23)
 - 2. Follow after peace and edification (ROM. 14:19)
 - 3. Follow after charity and preaching (1 COR. 14:1)
 - 4. Follow after USEFULNESS TO JESUS (PHIL. 3:12)

II. Honoring Your Commitments

- A. Your word is your bond EVEN with family MATT 5:37
 - 1. God requires that we pay our vows (DEUT. 23:21)
 - 2. True with God, why not His Children?
- B. Sexual purity
 - 1. Honor marriage commitments HEB. 13:4
 - 2. Honor "lack" of commitments (1 COR. 6:18)
- C. Love the Lord your God with EVERYTHING! (1 JOHN 5:21)
- D. Do nothing "half-hearted" or "lukewarm" for God

III. Honoring Your Spouse

- A. Husbands: Marriage is not arm-wrestling 1 PET. 3:7
 - 1. (a)Love, (b)Listen, and (c)LEARN your wife
 - 2. Dwell according to knowledge (gain it first!)
- B. Wives: God blesses your husband's leadership EPH. 5:33
 - 1. (a)Acknowledge, (b)Attend, (c)Accept decisions
 - 2. The word "see" means that it isn't automatic

IV. Honoring Your Children

- A. Parents must teach children about God DEUT 6:6-9
- B. Honor with (a)Communications, (b)Chastening
- C. But MOST OF ALL (c)Consistency (training a puppy)

V. Honoring Your Siblings

- A. Don't be a liar! 1 JOHN 4:20-21 (In Christ & at Home)
- B. Practice GOOD manners (1 COR. 15:33) / (PROV. 21:4)

REV. 4:11 - "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

REV. 5:12 - "Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing."

LUKE 9:23 - "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me."

ROM. 14:19 - "Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."

1 COR. 14:1 - "Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy."

PHIL. 3:12 - "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus."

DEUT. 23:21 - "When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee."

1 COR. 6:18 - "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body."

1 JOHN 5:21 - "Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen."

1 COR. 15:33 - "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners."

PROV. 21:4 - "An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin."