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Everybody Needs a Pastor – Honor & Respect

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Everybody needs a Pastor?

- **If a man/woman is a genuine sent from God Pastor...**
 - **Helps to ground me**
 - **Helps to bring guidance**
 - **Helps to bring structure (order)**
 - **Helps to bring clarity**
 - **Is an extension of God's love in the earth (natural...supernatural)**
 - **For perfecting and equipping us**
 - **Helps Develop and mature**
 - **Feeds, protects, takes care of**
 - **Teaches so we are not deceived, growing disproportioned, not misled**
 - **Spiritual Covering**
 - **He/she sees me**

My Pastor helps me to Develop and Grow

1 Corinthians 3:1-4 (The Message, MSG)

1-4 But for right now, friends, I'm completely frustrated by your unspiritual dealings with each other and with God. You're acting like infants in relation to Christ, capable of nothing much more than nursing at the breast. Well, then, I'll nurse you since you don't seem capable of anything more. As long as you grab for what makes you feel good or makes you look important, are you really much different than a babe at the breast, content only when everything's going your way? When one of you says, "I'm on Paul's side," and another says, "I'm for Apollos," aren't you being totally infantile?

My Pastor is my Spiritual Covering

Ephesians 4:14-15 (Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC))

14 So then, we may no longer be children, tossed [like ships] to and fro between chance gusts of teaching and wavering with every changing wind of doctrine, [the prey of] the cunning and cleverness of unscrupulous men, [gamblers engaged] in every shifting form of trickery in inventing errors to mislead. 15 Rather, let our lives lovingly express truth [in all things, speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly]. Enfolded in love, let us grow up in every way and in all things into Him Who is the Head, [even] Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

What does it mean to Honor?

➤ Honor

- **Honesty, fairness, or integrity in one's beliefs and actions:**
- **a source of credit or distinction:**
- **High respect, as for worth, merit, or rank:**
- **such respect manifested:**
- **High public esteem; fame; glory:**
- **The privilege of being associated with or receiving a favor from a respected person, group, organization, etc.:**
- **Usually, honors, evidence, as a special ceremony, decoration, scroll, or title, of high rank, dignity, or distinction:**

- **As a noun, honor in the Bible means “esteem, value, or great respect.” To honor someone is to value him highly or bestow value upon him. The Bible exhorts us to express honor and esteem toward certain people: our parents, the aged, and those in authority (Ephesians 6:2; Leviticus 19:32; Romans 13:1). But we must understand that all authority and honor belong to God alone (1 Chronicles 29:11; 1 Timothy 1:17; Revelation 5:13). Though He can delegate His authority to others, it still belongs to Him (Ephesians 4:11-12).**
- **Peter tells us to “honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king” (1 Peter 2:17). The idea of honoring others, especially those in authority (the king), comes from the fact that they represent God’s ultimate authority. A classic example is the command to “submit to the governing authorities because they have been established by God” (Romans 13:1-6).**
- **Therefore, “he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves” (Romans 13:2). This means it is incumbent upon Christians to**

honor those whom God has placed over us through our obedience and demonstration of respect. To do otherwise is to dishonor God.

- **The Bible speaks of another noteworthy group of people who are deserving of “double honor,” the leadership of the church, called elders: “Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching” (1 Timothy 5:17). In the first-century church, some elders labored in word and doctrine by devoting their time to preaching and teaching, while others did so privately. However, all elders gave attention to the interests of the church and the welfare of its members. These men were entitled to double honor of both respect and deference for their position, as well as material or monetary support. This was especially significant because the New Testament was not yet available.**
- **The Bible also gives us the command to honor one another in our employer/employee relationships (1 Timothy 3:17; 6:1; Ephesians 6:5-9), as well as in the marriage relationship with the husband and wife being in submission to and honoring one another (Hebrews 13:4; Ephesians 5:23-33). Interestingly enough, of all the commands to honor one another, the most oft-repeated pertains to that of honoring one’s father and mother (Exodus 20:12; Matthew 15:4). This command was so important to God that if anyone cursed or struck his parent, he was to be put to death (Exodus 21:7).**
- **The word *love* is also sometimes synonymous for honor. Paul commands us to “be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves” (Romans 12:10). Honoring others, however, goes against our natural instinct, which is to honor and value ourselves. It is only by being imbued (saturated or impregnated) with humility by the power of the Holy Spirit that we can esteem and honor our fellow man more than ourselves (Romans 12:3; Philippians 2:3).**

Jesus not Honored

Matthew 13:57 (New King James Version, NKJV)

So they were offended at Him. But Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor **except** in his own country and in his own house.”

Matthew 13:53-57 (The Message, MSG)

53-57 When Jesus finished telling these stories, he left there, returned to his hometown, and gave a lecture in the meetinghouse. **He made a real hit, impressing everyone. “We had no idea he was**

this good!” they said. “How did he get so wise, get such ability?” But in the next breath they were cutting him down: “We’ve known him since he was a kid; he’s the carpenter’s son. We know his mother, Mary. We know his brothers James and Joseph, Simon and Judas. All his sisters live here. Who does he think he is?” They got their noses all out of joint.

Honor

Romans 2:10 (AMPC)

But glory and honor and [heart] peace shall be awarded to everyone who [habitually] does good, the Jew first and also the Greek (Gentile).

Romans 13:7 (AMPC)

Render to all men their dues. [Pay] taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, **respect to whom respect is due, and honor to whom honor is due.**

Who is worthy?

1 Timothy 5:17 (AMPC)

Let the elders who perform the duties of their office well be considered doubly worthy of honor [and of adequate financial support], **especially those who labor faithfully in preaching and teaching.**

No One is more worthy than God

Hebrews 3:3 (AMPC)

Yet Jesus has been considered worthy of much greater honor and glory than Moses, just as the builder of a house has more honor than the house [itself].

Revelation 4:11 (AMPC)

Worthy are You, our Lord and God, to receive the glory and the honor and dominion, for You created all things; by Your will they were [brought into being] and were created.

I did NOT call myself

Hebrews 5:4 (AMPC)

Besides, one does not appropriate for himself the honor [of being high priest], but he is called by God *and* receives it of Him, just as Aaron did.

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➤ Respect

- **A feeling of admiring someone or something that is good, valuable, important, etc.**
- **A feeling or understanding that someone or something is important, serious, etc., and should be treated in an appropriate way**

- **A particular way of thinking about or looking at something**

Who likes being lied to?

Genesis 4:3-5 (AMPC)

3 And in the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground. 4 And Abel brought of the firstborn of his flock and of the fat portions. **And the Lord had respect** and regard for Abel and for his offering 5 But for Cain and his offering **He had no respect** or regard. So Cain was exceedingly angry and indignant, and he looked sad and depressed.

Honor must be from the Heart

Mark 7:6 (AMPC)

But He said to them, Excellently and truly [so that there will be no room for blame] did Isaiah prophesy of you, the pretenders and hypocrites, as it stands written: These people [constantly] honor Me with their lips, but their hearts hold off and are far distant from Me.

Thank you Daren Barron for your Labor of Love...You are a true Example of God's Gift to us... A Pastor!